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Coffee Can Save Enough Steel For 2,654 Machine Guns

Coffee County housewives can save enough steel for 2,654 machine guns simply by replacing one can of fruits or vegetables a week during the next year with fresh or home-packed produce, a leading food distributor estimated recently.

"This substitution, urged by the War Production Board, will not only save steel but also conserve food by using supplies of fresh produce made available by increased production, canning restrictions and reduced storage facilities," according to Earl R. French, marketing director of A. & P.'s produce-buying affiliate, the Atlantic Commission Company.

A number two "tin" can averages .235 pounds of steel plus a small amount of tin, and a single family can save 12.2 pounds of steel in a year by the can-a-week reduction, French said. Thus Coffee County's 7,615 families can save 92,903 pounds of steel, enough to make 2,654 30-calibre machine guns, each requiring 35 pounds of steel for manufacture, he pointed out.

"Reduced buying of canned produce doesn't mean reducing food consumption. Housewives can balance their family diets by serving more fresh produce, and our records show that many families are already doing this. American farmers last year moved 142,372 carlots of fresh fruits and vegetables to consumers through the Atlantic Commission Company, 10 per cent more than in 1940 and an all-time high record, and present indications are that they will move as much or more this year," French said.

The program would save 8,229,070 pounds of steel if carried out by all of Alabama's 674,514 families, it was brought out. On a national basis, America's 31,000,000 families could save enough steel to make 5,000 medium tanks or 38 Liberty freight ships, and enough tin for 360,000 75mm. howitzers.

Sgt. H. N. Shaw, stationed at Long Beach, Calif., formerly at Pearl Harbor, is visiting his wife and infant son, Harold Lynwood, who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harper from Gibson's hospital, in Enterprise, Wednesday. Sgt. Shaw is chief mess sergeant and will spend a month's furlough in Elba.

Basket Ball

Elba Vs New Brockton

Friday, 2:15 p. m.

AT ELBA ARMORY

IMPORTANT MEETINGS THROUGHOUT COUNTY

The following letter has been mailed to all farmers in Coffee County by Hugh D. Sexton, County Agent:

"You are urged to attend a very important meeting which will be held in your community for the purpose of discussing 1943 war goals, farm machinery rationing, fertilizers, and other agricultural information that should be of value to you. Your presence at one of the meetings scheduled below will be appreciated.

Wednesday, Jan. 13—Wise School, Curtis, 10 a. m.; Bluff Springs, Basin, 1:30 p. m.; Victoria School, Kinston, Cool Springs, 7:30 p. m.

Thursday, Jan. 14—Newbia, Piney Grove, 10 a. m.; Pine Level, Pleasant Ridge, 1:30 p. m.; Ham School, Ino, Mt. Pleasant, Eanon, 7:30 p. m.

Friday, Jan. 15—Damascus, Elba Courthouse, 10 a. m.; Goodman, New Brockton High School, Fairview, 1:30 p. m.; Perry's Store, Zion Chapel Comm. Bldg., New Hope, 7:30 p. m.

Saturday, Jan. 16— Enterprise Courthouse, 2 p. m.

JIM D. PARKER IN ARMY AIR FORCES

Kearns, Utah — Jim D. Parker of Elba, Ala., is now stationed at this Army Air Forces Basic Training Center, it is announced by Col. Converse L. Lewis, Commander.

Private Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim A. Parker, entered the Army Air Forces June 12, 1942.

Men at this post are trained under the rigorous program of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command. They learn how to march, use of small arms and machine guns, chemical warfare and other kindred subjects while undergoing their basic training. Upon completion of the training the men are sent to one of the 32 types of schools in the Air Forces Technical Training Command for further training. Upon graduation they become the men who really "Keep 'Em Flying."

Men trained by the Technical Training Command are the radio operators, gunners, machinists, clerks, maintenance men, airplane mechanics and the others behind the scenes in America's fighting Air Forces.

CARD OF THANKS

I take this method of expressing my sincere appreciation to my customers and friends for their patronage during my stay in Elba. It has been a pleasure to serve you. Circumstances beyond my control make it necessary that I leave Elba and in the future my home will be in Andalusia. If you ever come to Andalusia I shall be very happy to have you come to see me. Again I thank you.

Mrs. Ellen Caton.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vaughn and little son, of Shawmut, spent the holidays in Elba with his mother, Mrs. E. E. Vaughn and family.

Short Mortgages for sale at the Clipper Office: 2 for 5c.

Woman Is Instructing Class Of Men In Production Program

Mrs. Pugh Weeks of Center Ridge community, Coffee County, has the unique distinction of being the only woman instructor of a class of men in the Rural War Production Program in Alabama and interest in a woman's ability in that position drew a visit recently from Mr. Easom, director of the program in 11 Southern states. Her work was approved.

The first group in a series of three five weeks courses in the Enterprise area of the county has been completed. There was an enrollment of 160 men in the eight classes. For five weeks they studied hog production, poultry production and farm machinery repairing. Instructors were men well versed in these subjects, working under the direction of the vocational teachers of the county.

The second five weeks course has started under new instructors with poultry production the subject taught by Frank Bynum at Cool Springs and Mt. Pleasant; poultry at New Home by R. L. Taylor; poultry at Center Ridge by Mrs. Pugh Weeks; poultry at Goodman by Harvey Locklar; farm machinery repairing at Enterprise by H. G. Gullege; hog production at Baptist Hill by C. A. Youngblood, and wood working at Coppinsville by Prof. Roberson.

Subjects to be taught in the final five-weeks courses will be peanut and dairy production.

Similar classes are in progress throughout the county under the general direction of B. P. Dilworth, vocational teacher.

MISS FARRIS HOSTESS AT INFORMAL TEA—

Miss Eunora Farris entertained at a delightful informal tea in her home on Saturday afternoon from 4 to 6, honoring her sister, Mrs. Leslie Alford, of Chipley, Florida. The home was decorated in attractive motifs of the season.

After the guests were greeted by the hostess and presented to the honoree, Mrs. Alford, and to her attractive young daughter, Susanne Alford, they were invited to the dining room for the tempting refreshments of sandwiches, fruit cake, salted nuts and hot coffee.

Mrs. W. C. Braswell was seated at the lace-covered table which was centered with a basket of luscious fresh fruits and poured coffee.

Guests on this occasion were: The honoree, Mrs. Leslie Alford, Mrs. L. S. Rainer, Mrs. D. B. Perdue, Mrs. W. H. Coston, Miss Jeannette Garrett, Mrs. A. C. Dunaway, Mrs. W. M. Ringsdorf, Mrs. Gussie Hutchison, Mrs. W. L. English, Mrs. J. M. Rowe, Mrs. Ross Clark, Mrs. W. K. Farris, Mrs. W. C. Braswell, Miss Mabel Brunson, Mrs. Schraft, Miss Susanne Alford and Miss Eunora Farris.

CURTIS SINGING

Don't forget our regular singing at Curtis Sunday afternoon, Jan. 10. We will use the 1943 Stamps-Baxter books. Grafton Young.

Bancroft Cooper, who enlisted in the Army Air Corps several months ago, left Tuesday evening for Nashville, Tenn., where he will enter training.

Cpl. Elon O. Walker, after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Walker, left last Wednesday for Camp Gruber, Okla.

P. O. DAVIS TO BE ON AIR SATURDAY A. M.

Farmers and friends of agriculture are urged to listen to an important agricultural message by P. O. Davis, Director of the Alabama Extension Service, Auburn, over radio station WAGF, Dothan, Saturday, Jan. 9, at 11:30 a. m., says Hugh D. Sexton, Coffee County farm agent.

Mr. Davis will discuss the 1943 agricultural program. It will be of interest to every Alabama citizen.

RECREATION PARTY TO BE ON FRIDAY NIGHT

We have been requested to announce that the regular weekly WPA recreation party will be held on Friday night, January 8, instead of Thursday night.

WINS PROMOTION

Bill Mock, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mock, of Elba Rt. 3, has recently been promoted to Sergeant at Smyrna, Tenn, where he is now stationed. Just one month elapsed between each of his ratings as PFC, Corporal and Sergeant. Friends will be interested in his advancement.

Kinston Section Has Been Busy With Food Production Courses

The U. S. Government is asking all farmers to increase their production of livestock, food and feed stuff. In connection with this request they are sponsoring through the Vocational Agriculture Departments all over the nation, production courses. Several communities around Kinston have held these courses:

At Perry's Store, Increasing Pork Production; Ino, Increasing Poultry Production; Macedonia, Increasing Poultry Production; Fairview, Increasing Poultry Production; Kinston, Increasing Pork Production.

Those who have attended these classes have learned such things as feeding balanced rations to hogs and chickens, building lamp brooders and hog self-feeders and many other things very necessary for the successful hog or poultry raiser to know. These courses were instructed by teachers from the various schools and by farmers who have been successful along the particular line they are teaching.

These classes were supervised by B. R. Krudop, vocational agriculture teacher.—Contributed.

MT. GILEAD CLUB MEETS

The Mt. Gilead women met Monday, Jan. 4, at the home of Mrs. Enzor Johnson with Miss Mathews. Fourteen members were present, also one visitor. We added two new members.

Mrs. L. N. Phillips gave an interesting lesson on plans for the New Year. She also gave a demonstration for giving artificial respiration.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

We meet next month with Mrs. D. B. Coleman.

Pasteen Hataway, Rep.

Mr. and Mrs. George Conaway announce the birth of a nine-pound son on Tuesday, January 5.

Sergeant Harold Conner, of Camp Shelby, Miss., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Conner, recuperating from recent operations. He was confined to a hospital for five weeks.

Miss Willie Blue's many friends will be glad to learn that she is at home from Hubbard's hospital in Montgomery, and trust that she may soon be fully recovered from her illness.

Training Classes For War Production To Continue In Elba Area

Farmers have been asked by the Secretary of Agriculture to produce more food this year for the armed forces and to be able to send what will be needed to the Allied countries. This means that every farmer must produce more than he did last year with less labor, less machinery, less fertilizer and many other things that will cause him to work harder and try in every way possible to put to the best use he can the things he has at home.

With this in mind, the United States Government set up Rural War Production Training Classes to help produce more food another year. These classes have been going in the communities around Elba for the past two months. During this time classes have been held at the following places:

Basin, on Poultry Production, Farm Machinery; Damascus, Hog Production, Poultry Production; Victoria, Hog Production, Farm Machinery Repair; Mt. Zion, Hog Production, Farm Machinery Repair; Zion Chapel, Hog Production, Poultry Production, Farm Machinery Repair; Bluff Springs, Hog Production, Beef Production; Elba, Metal Work.

These classes are taught on the basis of the needs of the farmers who attend the classes with many important things being brought out that will help them another year. Demonstrations are held to show the men how to do things that they have been waiting for someone else to do in the past, but are having to pay some one else to do for them. It will not only save the farmer time in the future but will save him money. Plans are now under way for classes to start again in all communities listed above, with Ham and Pine Level communities starting for the first time. These classes are being taught by Junior High school principals, farmers in the communities, and under the supervision of E. P. Geiger, teacher of Vocational Agriculture in Elba High School.

B. W. C. MET WITH MRS. HUTCHISON—

The Business Women's Circle of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union met in the home of Mrs. Gussie Hutchison on Monday evening for a mission lesson from "Royal Service" and a short business session.

Miss Gladys Clark, president, presided over the business at which the roll call and minutes were read by the secretary, Miss Elzie Sellers, and committee reports were made.

Plans were made for a party in observance of the Circle's sixth year of service, and arrangements made for a meeting at the Red Cross rooms on Thursday night to make surgical dressings.

The program opened with the song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," followed by the devotional given by Mrs. Gussie Hutchison.

Mrs. O. M. Fox was leader of the program on the subject of "Witnessing For Christ," and at the conclusion of the program gave each member a year book.

Mrs. J. W. Kendrick made the closing prayer.

During a social hour the hostess served a delicious salad course with hot coffee to the following members: Mrs. J. W. Kendrick, Mrs. T. B. Bryan, Mrs. O. M. Fox, Miss Elzie Sellers, Miss Mabel Brunson, Miss Gladys Clark, Mrs. Gussie Hutchison and Mrs. Mary Alice Mayes.

Go to Church Sunday !

FARMERS MAY SELL PEANUTS FOR SEED

By HUGH D. SEXTON
County Agent

An amendment to the oil seed order permits a peanut producer to sell excess peanuts produced by him to other producers for use as seed in 1943. Before this amendment was announced, excess peanuts could only be sold to designated agencies for oil.

A producer who wishes to buy excess peanuts from another producer must first obtain from the county committee a "Certificate to Purchase" the peanuts. The certificate, when approved by the county committee, is the buyers' authority to buy and the seller's authority to sell the peanuts.

A producer who wishes to sell excess peanuts to another producer to be used for seed in 1943 must sell such peanuts at a price not to exceed the price approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. This price will be the oil price for the date of sale plus the cost of handling such peanuts for seed purposes. The marketing of peanuts under the "Purchase Certificate" must be accompanied with the execution of a memorandum of sale from the seller's peanut marketing card.

Farmers who need purchase certificates or other information are instructed to contact the county agent's office at Elba or Enterprise.

BUFFET SUPPER AT M. J. LEE HOME—

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lee were hosts at a lovely buffet supper in their home New Year's eve, complimenting Miss Katherine Gwin of Bessemer, and their nephews, Thomas and Bobby Bryan, college students home for the holidays.

The attractive new home was decorated for the occasion in colorful plants and cut flowers of the season, and the table where the buffet menu was served was beautifully appointed.

Following the supper hour rook and other games were played.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee had as their guests, the honorees, Miss Katherine Gwin, Thomas and Bobby Bryan, and Miss Martha Edmondson, Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Bryan and Marilu Lee.

Mrs. L. A. Crawford returned Tuesday to Jacksonville, Fla., after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Talley. Mrs. Talley accompanied her and will spend several days in Jacksonville and Tampa.

Production Of Food Major Objective Of All Farm Families

The production of foods will be the major objective of farm families in Coffee County and throughout the Nation in the year 1943—foods for family consumption and foods to further the war effort.

Home demonstration club women in the county will study food production in their clubs during the month of January. The production plans include plenty of fresh vegetables for daily use; sufficient for canning and winter storage and a surplus to share with others.

There must be a supply of fresh fruits, eggs, poultry, milk, home grown meats and feeds for livestock for all named purposes. Where electricity is available the garden discussion will be illustrated with slides.

The 4-H club members are selecting their minor projects this month, some variety of food being a requirement for every project selected.

Contests which the clubsters may enter are under consideration in January including dairying and rural electrification.

HUDSON—FOLEY

Miss Armedia Hudson and Leavy L. Foley, both of the Liberty Church community, were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage last Saturday night by Rev. C. P. Roberts.

Thomas Bryan returned Saturday to Howard and Bobby Bryan to Auburn to resume their studies after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bryan.

Friends in Elba of Mr. Gordon Conner will regret to learn of his recent illness at a Montgomery hospital, but will be glad to know that he returned to his home, where he is reported to be getting along fine.

Mrs. R. L. Cooper, Jr., has returned to Lake Charles, La., after visiting relatives in Elba and Opp. She was accompanied home by Mrs. R. L. Cooper who goes to Lake Charles to be present when Robert gets his 'Wings' and Commission on next Monday, January 11.

Miss Totsye Rhodes of Dothan, spent a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Rhodes.

Happy New Year

As we turn over a new and—let us hope—brighter page for 1943, this organization wants to add its good wishes for peace and good will to the grand total.

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THINKING STRAIGHT

By Ruth Taylor

In our hurry, in our patriotic fervour, in our zeal to be of service at this crucial hour, we must not overlook the fact that there is a need to think as well as act. Just as we drop peace-time luxuries from our lives, just as we concentrate all our efforts on work that will help in winning this war against the posers of darkness—so must we think straight toward our goal, so must we drop fears, prejudices, petty hatreds and personal preferences from our mind.

Now most of all must we learn to think straight. Elmer Davis, the director of War Information, made a statement some time ago which every one of us who fight for democracy, must well remember: "Not only does our future, and probably the world's future, depend on our ability to fight straight on through to victory, it depends as well on our ability to think straight through to the end of the war and afterwards."

This is a time of complete reorientation. We must realize that even history is speeded up these days. The changes that are taking place are rapid and we must be able to keep up with them mentally, and adjust ourselves to the idea that the way we had thought things out may not be the best way to work things through.

We must ruthlessly discard old habits of thought. We must think in broader terms. We must praise the right action—no matter who does it; and we must condemn the wrong, no matter whose it is. We must not detour for selfish motives, whether that selfishness be a selfishness of an individual or a group. We must think straight through toward the high end of victory both of the war and of the peace, and we must recognize the source of all efforts to divide us and create hates and dissension.

We must not be led astray by those who are seeking their own personal gain or the fulfillment of their ambition in this war, or the satisfaction of their grudges and hates. We cannot even afford to spend time hating them. We have our job to do—and we must think straight to it.

We have a mental code to guide us. The Four Freedoms are not just a statement of national policy, but a challenge to all of us, a call to the minds of men to think straight through to these goals, and to put them into practical application—not merely at some future date when victory rests on our banners, but here and now in our daily lives.

The war will be won by those who have **fought** straight through to the victory of the United Nations. The peace will be won by those who have **thought** straight through to victory of the Four Freedoms.

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FINAL RITES HELD FOR MRS. WILKINS

On Sunday morning, Dec. 6, 1942, the death angel claimed the spirit of Mrs. Mollie Clower Wilkins. Although her suffering was intense for several weeks, she was submissive to His will at all times, and when the final summons came she fell asleep in the arms of Jesus as quietly and peacefully as the noble, humble life she had lived these many years.

She had been an active member of Chestnut Grove Methodist Church for thirty odd years, and her faith and loyalty never wavered from the church she loved and served until her death.

She leaves to mourn her death, her husband, L. Fate Wilkins; three sisters, Mrs. J. E. Johnson, Mrs. Will Flowers of Brundidge, and Mrs. Henry Dismuke of Chestnut Grove, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral was held from Chestnut Grove Church on Monday, Dec. 7, with the pastor, Rev. Sam Shirah, officiating. She was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery beneath a bower of beautiful flowers which spoke eloquently of the esteem in which she was held.

Weep not, dear ones, as those who have no hope,
For it won't be long before we join her in the great beyond.—Contributed.

When the family tires of the usual breakfast food, serve big bowls of freshly popped corn with milk or cream and sugar. It is a swell change.

When washing men's and boys' overalls lay them on the washboard or any flat surface and scrub them with a scrubbing brush and lots of good suds. It makes washing easier.

FINAL SETTLEMENT NOTICE

In the matter of the Estate of John M. Bonneau, deceased: Mrs. Mamie Bonneau, Executrix. In the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division.

This day came Mrs. Mamie Bonneau, executrix of the estate of John M. Bonneau, deceased, and filed in Court her accounts and vouchers for a final settlement of said estate; and the 18 day of January, 1943, having been appointed by the Court for examining, auditing and stating the same, notice is hereby given to all parties interested to appear on said day and contest the same, if they think proper.

Done this the 15 day of December, 1942.

J. W. BROCK,
Probate Judge.

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"YOU certainly have a wonderful little daughter, Macbreath. Looks like a flapper, but isn't. Nice and sweet. Sort of old fashioned in her manner toward men. That's what I call a fine girl."

Macbreath flicked the ashes from his cigar and looked out at the velvety golf course that stretched away from in front of the Westview Golf and Country Club and slipped off into the trees in the distance.

"Emily's proved a theory I've always had," Macbreath said after a moment. "I'm certain in my own mind that fathers make the best mothers. It's the women who make flappers of their daughters. Now, I've raised Emily since she was ten, brought her up to be a man's sort of girl, taught her to obey me in everything, always to consider my wishes, but I've been careful to let her see my reasons for doing things; why I think my opinion best. Now, most girls choose their own boy friends, go with whom they please, but that isn't Emily. I know exactly whom she's going to marry. Of course, it may be years from now. I hope it will be, but he's a fine fellow, has money and position and all the qualities a husband should have. No crazy running off with the chauffeur or some little counter jumper in my family—just because he happens to wear his clothes wonderfully or looks like Clark Gable . . . She got interested in a fellow when she was off at school, Jim Atworth. It was pretty serious and he came down to see me, but I knew it would never do. The boy's a fine, clean fellow, but he has nothing and probably never will have, not much social position either, I imagine. I talked to her about it and she was perfectly reasonable, gave him up without a word and has been running around with a dozen others since."

"It certainly is wonderful to have a girl like that," said Montgomery slowly. "Now, my Margaret almost snaps her fingers in my face if I try to tell her anything; in fact, I'm honestly afraid of her. She says her life's her own and she'll live it to suit herself and those who don't like it can lump it. And petting parties, good Lord!"

"That's another thing Emily never does," said Macbreath with satisfaction. "We got confidential the other night on the porch and she told me that she never had kissed a man in her life."

Macbreath looked at his watch and went to his car. Montgomery left also for a bit of golf. The little group had scattered.

As the high powered imported machine purred along the boulevard that was flanked by magnificent lawns and shrubbery Macbreath's mind was still on his daughter Emily. He was proud of her; but more especially of himself, for having made such a good job of her upbringing. She was on a par with the other experiences of his life, he reflected; he had finally controlled everything with which he had come connected.

Emily met him at the door and after giving him a daughterly peck on the cheek danced over to the radio and tuned in on some jazz.

"That's a hot song, isn't it, dad?" she laughed, tossing her slimness into a chair and languidly turning the pages of a movie magazine. "What'd you old fogies talk about out at the club 'safternoon? I bet it was about women."

"It was about—you," said Macbreath, remembering the conversation with returning pride and satisfaction.

"Well, that was an innocent enough topic," she confessed, "but what did you say about me?"

"Nothing of much interest . . . I guess I'd better go up and get ready for dinner."

After dinner Macbreath went back to his club and bridge. Emily had a theater date she explained, so she would not be lonely.

When Macbreath returned late that evening the house was all in darkness. Emily was already in bed, he decided. He went straight to his room and prepared for the night. As he threw back the covers of his bed his eye struck a note pinned to his pillow and quickly taking it to the light he read:

Darling Dad,

Don't think I don't love you because I just dote on my precious old fogy dad, but by the time you read this Jimmy Atworth and I will be married and speeding away on our honeymoon. I know you didn't approve of him but I did—so we just decided to take the plunge. There was no use trying to reason it out with you because you never change your mind, so I'm doing like I've always had to do; say yes, dad, then go and do as I please.

I love you heaps and bushels and Jimmy and I'll be over to see you soon.

Devotedly,

EMILY.

When Macbreath had finished reading the note he dropped into a chair and held his head while his world of illusion tumbled down around his ears. After a long, long time he got up and crawled to bed.

"Oh, well," he said to his pillow with a wry smile, "human beings will be human, but I bet they rag me to death at the club tomorrow."

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for January 10

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JESUS INSTRUCTS A GREAT TEACHER

LESSON TEXT—John 3:1-16.

GOLDEN TEXT—For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—John 3:16.

Nicodemus came to our Lord when He was in Jerusalem for the Passover. Jesus had chosen six of His disciples, had performed His first miracle at Cana, and had made a brief visit to Capernaum, after which He came to Jerusalem for the feast.

In high and holy indignation He had driven the money changers out of the temple. The Pharisees who looked for the coming of the Messiah as a secular conqueror wondered at this new spiritual leader. It was probably as much on their behalf as his own that Nicodemus came to inquire of Jesus.

In answering his questions Jesus reveals the necessity, the nature, and the method of regeneration. The only entrance into the Christian life is by the door of the new birth. Regeneration is the act of God whereby the divine nature is imparted to the believing sinner and he becomes the child of God. He who has not entered by this way has not entered at all. He is still dead in trespasses and sins, without God and without hope (Eph. 2:1, 12).

Men seek to enter the household of God by almost any other means—culture, reform, character building—and neglect or reject God's way.

I. The Necessity of Regeneration (vv. 1-7).

Jesus was not unduly impressed by the dignity and high station of his visitor, nor by the visitor's courteous acknowledgment of His own position as a great teacher. With incisive boldness Jesus declared that this man, a cultured and distinguished ruler of the Jews, must be born again if he is to see the kingdom of God.

God is no respecter of persons. This "doctor of divinity" must be born again, just as was the illiterate fisherman. The requirements are the same for all, and the necessity as great in one level of society as in another.

The surprising thing is that this teacher of theology could be so ignorant of the one essential element of a real spiritual experience. He evidently thought he could bring his soul to eternal life by his own works, when in fact he was not able to give himself physical—let alone spiritual—life.

Two reasons are given by our Lord for the "must" of verse 7: (1) The kingdom of God is a spiritual kingdom, and cannot be entered by way of our human nature; and (2) "that which is born of the flesh is flesh" and is radically and essentially bad. To learn why the flesh is bad read Jeremiah 13:23 and Galatians 5:19-21. Scripture on this point is diametrically opposed to the teaching of unbelieving men. When such a difference arises be sure of this—God's Word is right. Follow it!

II. The Nature of Regeneration (vv. 8-13).

The new birth is a divine mystery, not fathomable by human reason. Those who insist that all spiritual truth be put through the little norm of their intelligence will never understand it or receive its blessing.

The striking illustration of the life-giving and energizing wind used by our Lord is most illuminating. Wind is unseen, but the results of its movement are evident. Even so the spiritual rebirth of men is an enigma to the worldly man, but even he can see its results in godly living.

Observe the clarity and simplicity of our Lord's teaching on what is undoubtedly the most profound subject in all the world. Let us follow His example and always "make the message clear and plain, Christ receiveth sinful men!"

III. The Method of Regeneration (vv. 14-16).

Many there are who ask Nicodemus' question, "How can these things be?" (v. 9). The answer is clear—"Only by faith in the Son of God, our Saviour."

Just as there was healing and life in a look at the uplifted serpent (Num. 21:8), so there is life for a look at the Crucified One. Faith receives God's perfect provision for sin.

John 3:16 may well be regarded as the greatest sentence in the greatest Book in the world. It presents the whole plan of salvation—its source, its ground, its recipients, its condition, and its result. It also reveals God's love—its "object, character, manifestation, purpose, and the result" (John W. Bradbury).

This glorious salvation is for all men—"whosoever"—but some reject it. Notice that God does not condemn them. Their own evil works and desires condemn them (vv. 17-20). God in His grace is ready and willing to save, but men love "darkness rather than light," for their works are evil.

Nicodemus came to Jesus by night — but he came. Have you come? Will you come now?

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R. C. BRYAN, EDITOR - OWNER

Life's Most PRECIOUS OFFERINGS

Thoughts of those who were near to us are among life's most precious offerings. Here—because no detail of perfection and service is overlooked—the final parting becomes a thing of beauty to forever enrich future memories.

BONNEAU-JETER FUNERAL DIRECTORS
ELBA and BRANTLEY

Save scraps of toilet soap, put them in a stew pan with just enough water to prevent soap from burning. Heat until soap is melted, pour into greased gelatine molds about the size of an ordinary cake of soap, when cool turn out on waxed paper to dry a day or two. This makes perfectly firm, nicely molded cakes of soap a s usable as new.

AT FIRST SIGN OF A COLD USE 666
666 TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

LIBERTY NEWS

Dec. 29, 1942.

Dear Editor:

We will try to tell of the fine time we had this fine Christmas—one of the finest times we recall in many years, although many of us were sad on account of so many of the boys being off from home and couldn't get home.

We are glad to see so many well and able to go, though the weather has been quite bad.

We bow in sorrow with those who have lost their loved ones. Mrs. Boland's brother-in-law, Mr. C. C. Player, passed away on the 19th inst., which made our Christmas sad, in a way. He was known as the Candy Man of Columbus, Ga.

Mr. Ed Cooper is quite ill at present. He has been sick for some time.

Mr. Elmer Mack, who got burned with gas some time ago, is slowly improving.

We were proud to have all the grandchildren home for Christmas. Mrs. Spencer Oliver was the first to get home. She has been here several days. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hanchey, their little daughter, Alleta, Julia Foley, of Columbus, Ga., got home for Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Cumi Messick and little daughter, Linda Joe; Mrs. Cecil Beck and little sons, Joel and Milan; Lawrence Foley and wife, daughter and son, Betty and Larry; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Morrow and children, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Boland and children, our sister-in-law, Mrs. J. C. Boland, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bryant; all came sometime during the holidays.

Santa visited Pine Level school and had a very fine time. Also visited Elba on Christmas Day. Sure had a fine day. Everyone was so nice to Santa. The merchants gave many nice gifts for the children. We thank everyone. There isn't anything like making children happy, for they are the best of all. The Master said: "Except ye become as little children ye cannot enter into the kingdom of heaven."

Well, the sun has just crept out. We have had the heaviest rain of the winter, about eight inches, which is very heavy.

We see the boys are getting the saws and axes and are going to saw wood. That means Christmas is about over. I did not get through. I wasn't able to go.

I stand on my porch and look at the Mayes place. How sad I feel as I miss that fine family so much, but we all will have to go like our fathers.

As the children were all getting off home, John Boland and Wesley drove in from Gainesville, Ga. We were looking for him, so you see we sure feel happy.

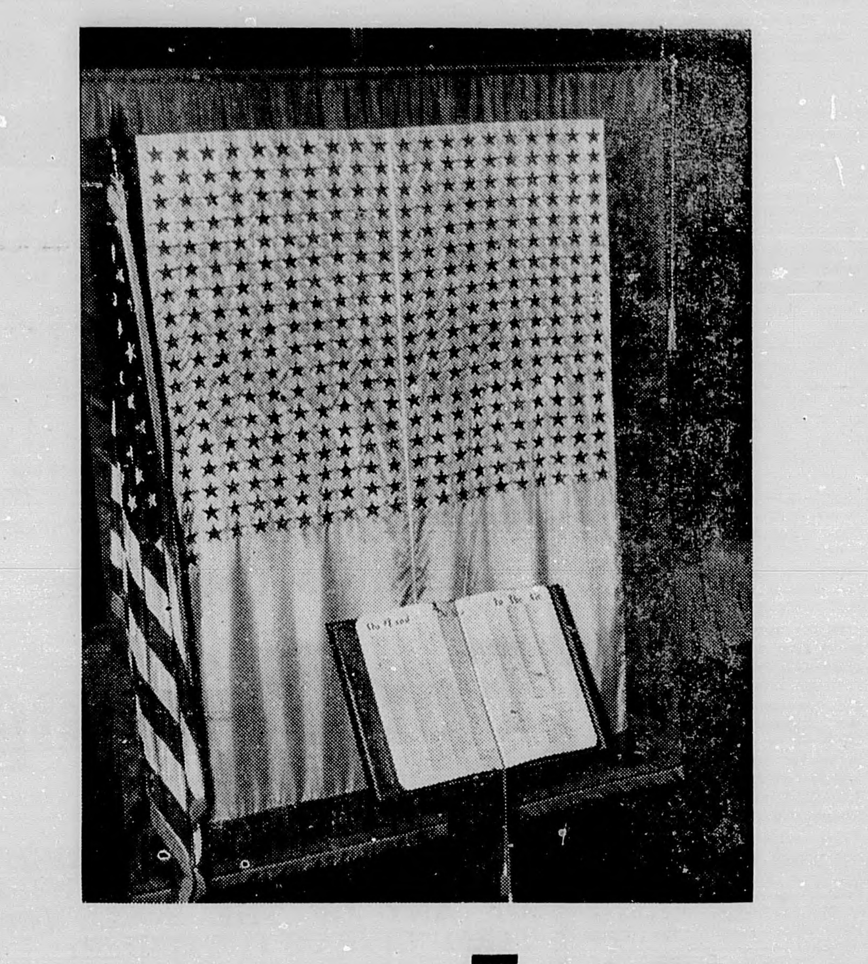
Well, I must close, wishing all a happy New Year, and do not forget the old.

H. I. Boland.

GINNING REPORT

There were 8,450 bales of cotton ginned in Coffee County prior to December 13, 1942, as compared with 11,631 bales ginned to December 13, 1941.

Mortgages and Rent Notes for sale at The Clipper office.



WE WILL KEEP THE FAITH....

TODAY, one year and twenty-four days after Pearl Harbor, 442 former Alabama Power Company employees, three of them women, are in the Army, the Navy and Marines. They are in Alaska, Africa, Australia, England and elsewhere.

All of them were skilled in their respective lines of work; each had a pride in performing his duties well. The satisfaction of being a member of an organization which in peace or war must meet a high standard of excellence was theirs. When they return they'll want to know that the organization of which they were a part, and which they again will want to join, did its part in keeping the wheels of war production turning without pause; that as a group of loyal Americans it cooperated wholeheartedly with other phases of the war effort; that it did not discard its ideal of development of Alabama resources so that opportunity would grow in Alabama; that it maintained its belief in the American tradition of fair reward for honest effort.

We are keeping the faith with them. We will keep the faith.

ALABAMA POWER COMPANY
A Private Agency for the Public Good

Man Of Substance

By WARREN A. REEDER
McClure Syndicate—WNU Features.

JOHN HARDNER stopped at the door of Kane and Lord's offices and bade the night watchman a calm goodnight, which had been his unvarying routine for the past twenty-four years.

Then he stepped over the threshold of the doorway for the last time. Kane and Lord were losing a trusted cashier.

And they were also losing seventy thousand dollars in cold cash.

In the small room he had rented only that morning he started to transform his appearance with deft, sure movements. In a half hour he stepped back from the mirror and viewed himself with satisfaction. His iron-gray hair was now a dark brown, parted on the side instead of the center. The Van Dyke beard he had cultivated so carefully for the past five years was gone and he was clean shaven. Altogether he looked fifteen years younger.

In the small restaurant in the warehouse district he deliberately ate a large meal. When he finished it was quite dark.

Paying for his meal, he picked up the suitcase he had brought with him and walked out slowly. Then he started to hurry through dimly lighted streets and alleys until he came to the spot he had selected a long while before. It was in the shadow of a huge warehouse at the river's edge.

Swiftly he divested himself of his outer suit and donned an extra one from his suitcase. He changed his shoes.

Then he gathered together his discarded clothing. The pants, shoes and shirt he tied together in one bundle, weighted it down with small pieces of lead and dropped it over the pier into the dark gurgling waters of the river.

The coat and hat he laid on the pier. In the pocket of the coat he placed a note. It read:

"I cannot stand the disgrace of being convicted for embezzlement. This is the end."

The next morning he casually perused his paper as he ate breakfast. The screaming headlines amused him:

TRUSTED CASHIER SUICIDE!

Carefully he read the account. The police were dragging the river but did not expect to find the body because of the swift currents and treacherous tides.

What to do with the money was a problem. After long deliberation he decided to place it in a safe deposit box. He selected one in a quiet suburban bank and stored all of it away except a few hundred dollars for immediate use.

John Hardner's wants were few. He lived comfortably but avoided the bright lights. His one vice was playing the horses.

In the latter part of the summer he took a long trip up into the North woods. He did not especially enjoy himself but he felt that it was a gesture his position demanded.

At the end of six weeks John Hardner came back to civilization feeling more physcally fit than he had for years.

His first thought was of his stored wealth. He climbed into a cab and ordered his driver to take him to the bank. When the driver drew up in front of it John Hardner stared at the building curiously. At one side of the bank a group of workmen were busy bricking up a hole in the wall. His heart commenced to throb alarmingly.

"What happened there?" he asked the driver. "An accident?"

The driver stared. "Ain't you heard? That's where that gang broke into the safe deposit boxes about five weeks ago. They got everything—" Suddenly the driver realized that he was talking to empty air.

John Hardner rushed into the bank president's office. "My money," he gasped hoarsely. "I want my money!"

"Here—take a seat, my man," the president advised kindly. He motioned him to a chair. "I suppose you mean the safe deposit boxes?"

John Hardner nodded, still fighting for control of himself.

"Now—you needn't worry. We're paying all claims. All you have to do is to advance your claim and sign the necessary papers." He pushed a button. To the secretary who appeared he spoke a few words. Then, to John Hardner, "I'm afraid I didn't get your name."

"Roget. Edward Roget," John Hardner said colorlessly.

"Roget." The president paused. "Ah, yes—Roget." He scratched a few words on a piece of paper and handed it to the secretary.

An hour later at police headquarters a young detective leaned over the desk sergeant's shoulder. "I see that they caught that Hardner fellow—the one who was supposed to commit suicide. How'd they do it?"

The desk sergeant looked up interestedly. "Funny about that. They took fingerprints on all those safe deposit boxes trying to find out the gang who did it. They found Hardner's prints on the box he'd rented. He plumb forgot that Lord and Kane make all their employees be fingerprinted when they first go to work for them. He'd been there twenty-four years—but fingerprints never change!"

LETTER FROM PRIVATE

The following is a letter from a private with the armed forces of Uncle Sam:

"I'm one of the fellows who is making the world safe for democracy. I fought and I fought and I fought but I had to go anyway. I was called in Class A. Next time I want to be in Class B. Be here when they go and Be here when they come back.

"I remember when I registered, I went up to a desk and the man in charge was my milkman. He said, 'What's your name'? I said, 'Oh, you know my name.' 'What's your name'? he barked. So I told him, 'August Childs.' He said, 'Are you an alien?' I said, 'No, I feel fine.' He asked me where I was born and I said, 'Pittsburgh.' Then he said, 'Where did you first see the light of day'? I said, 'When we moved to Philadelphia.' He asked me how old I was and I told him, 'Twenty-three the first day of September.' He said, 'The first of September you will be in China and that will be the last of August.'

"Then I went to camp and I guess they did not think I'd live long. The first fellow wrote on my card, 'Flying Corps.' I went a little farther and some fellow said, 'Look what the wind blew in.' I said, 'Wind nothing—the draft's doingi it.' On the second morning they put these clothes on me. What an outfit! As soon as you're in it you think you could fight anybody. They have two sizes— too small and too large! The pants were so tight I didn't dare move. What a raincoat they gave me. It strained the rain. I passed an officer all dressed up with a funny belt and all that stuff. He said, calling after me, 'Didn't you notice my uniform when you passed?' I said, 'Yes, but what are you kicking about, look. what they gave me'!

"One morning when it was 5 degrees below they called us out for an underwear inspection. Talk about scenery — red flannels, BVD's of all kinds. The union suit I had on would fit Tony Galento. The Lieutenant lined us up and told me to stand up. I said, 'I am up, sir, but this underwear makes you think I'm sitting down.' He got so mad he put me out digging ditches. A little later he passed by and said, 'Don't throw that dirt up here.' I said, 'Where am I going to put it?' He said, 'Dig another hole and put it there.'

"Three days later we sailed for Australia. Marching down the pier, I had the worst luck. I had a sergeant who stuttered and it took him so long to say, 'Halt' that 27 of us marched overboard. They pulled us out and lined us up on the pier. The Captain came by and said, 'Fall in!' I said, 'I have been in, sir.'

"I was on the boat twelve days, seasick 12 days. Nothing going down and everything coming up. Leaned over the rail all the time. In the middle of one of my best leans the Captain rushed up and said, 'What company are you in'? I said, 'I'm all by myself.' He asked me if the Brigadier was up. I said, 'If I swallowed it, it's up.' Talk about dumb people. I said to one of the fellows, 'I guess we dropped the anchor.' He replied, 'I knew they would lose it, it's been hanging out ever since we left San Francis. co.'

"Well, we landed and were immediately sent to the trenches. After three nights there, the cannons started to roar and the shells started to drop and pop. I was shaking with patriotism. I tried to hide behind a tree, but there wasn't enough trees for the officers. The Captain came around and said, 'We go over the top at 5 o'clock.' I said, 'Captain, I'd like a word with you.' He said, 'Well, what is it?' I said, 'I'd like to have a furlough.' He said, 'Haven't you any red blood in you?' I said, 'Yes, but I don't want to see it.'

"Five o'clock we went over the top and 10,000 Japs came at us. The way they looked at me you'd think I started the war. Our Captain yelled, 'Fire at will,' but I didn't know any Japs by that name. I guess the fellow behind me thought I was Will because he fired his gun and shot me in the excitement."

FARMERS MEETING

A county-wide Farm Mobilization Day meeting will be held in each Alabama county on Tuesday, January 12, and community and neighborhood meetings will be held throughout each county during the four days of January 13-16. At these meetings county agricultural leaders will discuss 1943 crop and livestock goals, farm deferments under the Selective Service Act, machinery, fertilizer, and labor conditions.

To protect the feet when sitting in a chilly room where the floor is cold, wear heavier socks or stockings over the regular hose. For cold feet at night, bed socks, knitted or crocheted or made of woolen scraps, should be worn.

Pour molasses and butter over cooked sweet potatoes for a different candied sweet potato dish. It is different, delicious and nourishing.

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The old Santa Fe Trail, from Independence, Kan., to Santa Fe, N. M., was about 800 miles long.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Elba Exchange Bank, Elba, Alabama, for the election of directors and the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the bank on Friday, January 15, 1943, between the hours of six and nine o'clock, P. M.

T. B. BRYAN,
Cashier.

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ADA MARLEY CIRCLE MET AT CHURCH—

The Ada Marley Circle of the Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the church for its business and mission program on Monday afternoon at 3:45.

Mrs. W. R. Crook, vice-president, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. L. P. Morrow. Mrs. C. P. Roberts gave the devotional on the theme of "Lest We Become Encircircled," which was based on the Scripture in Isaiah 40: 3-5. Mrs. J. M. Rowe led a prayer.

During the business period the minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. Luther Vaughan, secretary, and the following committees were reported for the new year: Program, Mrs. I. Dorman, Mrs. J. M. Rowe; Finance, Mrs. C. A. Pittman, Mrs. G. M. Prescott, Mrs. Luther Vaughan; Membership, Mrs. C. P. Roberts, Mrs. J. M. Garrett; Spiritual Life Group, Mrs. A. C. Dunaway, Mrs. C. P. Roberts; Menu, Mrs. R. L. Cooper, Mrs. W. R. Crook; Parsonage, Mrs. J. M. Rowe, Mrs. Corrie Bryant, Mrs. C. P. Roberts, Mrs. L. P. Morrow.

Mrs. W. R. Crook gave a reading, "A Father's Prayer For His Boy in Service," and Mrs. C. P. Roberts gave an interesting mission talk on "The Seven Keys."

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bryan, Mrs. M. J. Lee and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick were visitors to Troy Saturday.

Cpl. Roger Winston of Camp Gruber, Okla., has been visiting relatives in Elba for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerre Hause were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Clark during the holidays.

Douglas Jones, who resides in South Florida, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones.

Lieutenant John M. Garrett of Gunter Field was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Garrett, during the week- end.

Ed Cooper has returned to College Park, Ga., to resume his studiees at G. M. A., after spending the holidays in Elba with his mother, Mrs. R. L. Cooper.

Mrs. Annie King and Miss Anita King, of Andalusia, visited Elba relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. A. A. Owen, who spent the Christmas holidays in Elba with Mr and Mrs. G. M. Prescott, has returned to New Brockton.

Mrs. Louis Inman has returned to Bainbridge, Ga., after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. R. L. Cooper.

Messers Bud Jackson and R. B. Edwards who live on Brunson Hill killed a rattlesnake Sunday which measured six feet, four inches.

Pvt. Wallace Jackson, of Fort Benning, Ga., spent three days of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Jackson..

Mr and Mrs. Boyd Murphree and baby, of Jackson, Miss., visited relatives here last week.

Miss Jeannette Garrett left Sunday for Birmingham to resume her teaching in Phillips High School.

Mrs. Annie Waters of Montgomery was the week-end guest of Mrs. Sam Blue and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Brooks, Jr., and children, of Port St. Joe, Fla., have returned to their home after a visit to Elba relatives.

Friends of Mr. J. M. Garrett will regret to learn that he is confined to his room on account of illness, and wish him an early recovery.

LETTER FROM MR MARSH

Handsboro, Miss.
December 25, 1942

Dear Mr. Bryan:

Please find check enclosed for which renew my subscription. I have just returned from Grenada, Miss., where I have been employed in defense work for the past two months. Am glad I saw your announcement that subscriptions must be paid in advance after the first of the year, for I have said many times that I always want to get every issue of The Elba Clipper.

I was in your good City for about 30 minutes some time in October and intended calling around to see you then but as there was a sick man in our group I just couldn't take the time.

This Christmas finds all my family enjoying good health and a good many things of this world's goods for which we are very thankful. My thoughts and best wishes go out at this time to all my good friends in Alabama, particularly in Coffee County.

I just enjoyed reading in The Clipper a letter from an old friend and playmate who is now with our armed forces stationed in Washington—F. M. English. There are numerous other boys from our old home county whose letters I have read and enjoyed.

Now in closing, I'll say its swell to be back on the Gulf Coast where it is almost like summer the year around, to be with my family and friends. With very best wishes to The Clipper and its readers for now and many years to come.

Sincerely yours,
J. S. MARSH.

The many friends of Mrs. Louise Bryan will be glad to learn of her return from a very pleasant visit to Mobile and Atlanta, Ga.

Pvt. Johnnie E. Manning spent the week end in Elba with his wife, Mrs. Cleone Manning.

THE ELBA THEATRE

WEEKLY PROGRAM

THURSDAY—LAST DAY
'VALLEY OF THE SUN'
—Starring—
Dean Jagger
Latest War News
Admission, 10c and 28c

FRIDAY—Double Feature
"KATHLEEN"
--Featuring-
Shirley Temple
also Western and Serial
Admission 10c and 28c

SATURDAY ALL DAY
"DEATH VALLEY RAIDERS"
Serial and Comedy
Admission 10c and 20c

SATURDAY, After 5 O'Clock:
"MELODY LANE"
Merry Mac's - Leon Errol
Tickets on sale at 5 p. m.
Come early
Admission 10c and 25c

SUNDAY AND MONDAY
"SONG OF THE ISLANDS"
—Starring—
Betty Grable, Jack Oakie
Technicolor
Admission 10c and 28c

TUESDAY Only—Bargain Day
"LONE STAR RANGER"
—With—
John Kimbrough
All Seats 11c

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
"CALL OUT THE MARINES"
—With—
Victor McLaglen, Edmond Lowe

Miss Katherine Gwin of Bessemer was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bryan for several days during the week.

Mrs. Arkey Johnson and little daughter, who live on Troy Rt. 2, were visitors to Elba last week.

Misses Elizabeth Rowe and Odelle Carmichael of Montgomery were guests of Miss Zadie Rowe and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rowe for the week-end.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, S. E. Sawyer and Lorine Sawyer, have sold all of our right, title and interest in the partnership of ELBA LIVESTOCK AUCTION MARKET, which is also known as the Elba Livestock Market, to W. L. Walsh, Elba, Alabama; and have also sold all of our right, title and interest in the partnership of ELBA HATCHERY to the said W. L. Walsh, Elba, Alabama, and that we have no further interest in either of said partnerships, and will not be liable to anyone for any of the debts or obligations of either of said partnerships hereafter.

Done this the 14th day of December, 1942.

S. E. SAWYER
LORINE SAWYER

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What You Buy With WAR BONDS

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The cost of these huge guns runs into thousands of dollars but we can assure the Army of obtaining them by our purchases of War Bonds. Ten percent or more of your income is necessary. The easiest way is to join the Payroll Savings Plan at your office or factory. Let's "Top that ten percent."

U. S. Treasury Department

'Impossible'

By DUFORD JENNE
McClure Syndicate—WNU Features.

THE words followed Mary to her room like a dooming sentence. In going down the hall of the boarding house she had passed Edith Lyman's room, and the door had been ajar. A group of girls were evidently discussing with Edith, who was a leader among them, some party planned for the evening; and Edith had said:

"Oh, we can't ask Mary! Ted wouldn't go with her—she's impossible!"

That was all Mary heard, but it was enough. She closed her door and stood in stricken silence. "Impossible"—how the word rang in her ears!

She was almost on the verge of tears when there was a knock on the door. She hastily controlled herself, and Edith stuck her bright head into the room.

"Hello, Mary, we're going out to a dance tonight, and couldn't you go?"

Mary's heart skipped a beat, but she was almost on the point of saying, "No!" for she knew she was being asked just to "fill in." But she was hungry to get away from the drab routine of her days, and said hesitatingly, "Yes, I'd—I'd love to go, Edith."

"O. K., then, Mary, Ted will take you."

Mary sat still a moment—Ted, one of the most welcome of the boys who came to the house, whose kindly, attractive face always had a pleasant smile for Mary.

She dressed as carefully as she could, and she was ready when Ted came.

On the journey to the dance hall, through the crowded subway, Ted's kindness and thoughtfulness pleased her and drove away some of the chill the word "Impossible" had left.

At the hall, she entered into the spirit of the evening with all her soul, warning herself that this chance might not come again.

When the evening was over, however, and Ted had left her with a kindly good-night and in the silence of her room she "took stock" she was aware that he had shown no more than courteous interest in her.

"And I was so happy with him! If he would only ask me again!" she whispered to herself.

But he didn't, not that week-end, nor the next; and in the meantime, Mary brooded on the word that had condemned her so simply.

Finally, in desperation, she went to motherly old Mrs. Ober, who worked in some dressmaking shop, and told her the whole story.

Mrs. Ober listened, and said gently:

"Then, listen, my dear. Every girl has something of charm about her; and it is her duty to study in every way she can to bring it out. Now your—your dresses ought to be changed; it's not a matter of cost but of right choices. You see, some women have a gift for figuring such things out; and some haven't. Now, it's my business to help those who haven't; and suppose we see what we can do?"

Mary's eager agreement made the older woman smile, and they went ahead with their plans.

So the day came when Mary, while Mrs. Ober looked on with interested eyes, faced herself in her mirror in a real party dress. She was amazed at the change. Her bobbed hair had been changed in such a way as to bring out the oval of her face and the curve of her slim neck; and the dress, simple enough in design, did the rest.

"You see?" Mrs. Ober said, and Mary turned and rushed into her arms.

Things seemed to happen after that. She was hurrying down the hall to Mrs. Ober's room for the purpose of having a small change made in the dress when she met Ted at the top of the stairs. He looked at her with sudden, keen interest.

"Hullo, Mary, I hardly knew you! What is that—a new dress?" he asked with frank admiration in his eyes.

His glance set something to singing within her. "A real party dress!" she announced, as she slipped by.

Then came Edith's comment later on. "Midget, where did you get that bob? It's the work of an artist!" Then, happiest of all, came Ted with his own invitation to join him and his own special group at an evening dance.

It was in the quiet of one of the alcoves of the beautiful room outside the dance floor that he turned to her. "Mary, you are the same girl and yet you aren't, and I can't figure out what has made the difference. You remember the other time? I enjoyed having you with me then, but I feel now as if it were almost somebody else." He was smiling, but his ways were frank and he could not hide his puzzled thought.

Mary was chanting to herself, "I won't be lonesome any more," but she said to him: "The reason—oh, only a woman knows! But you don't think I'm 'Impossible'?"

He caught her hand in a tense grasp. " 'Impossible'!—I should say not—and it's going to take a darned good man to get you away from me!" he said with decision.

Classified Advertising

If you want to buy, sell, swap, rent or locate lost property, try an adv. in this column.

WANTED TO BUY — Corn and Hay; paying highest cash market prices. DAN NELSON at Morrow Gin in West Elba.

FOR SALE—Stewart and Mahan Pecan trees, and all other Nursery Stock; will be in Elba each Monday. See or write T. Q. Richardson, Kinston, Ala. J7-28pd.

FOR SALE—1935 2-door Chevrolet, good tires; one double barrel and one pump shot gun, both 12-guage; good galvanized tin boat; one cross-cut saw. Mrs. E. E. Vaughn, phone 238, Elba, Ala., Smith Ave. j21-pd

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Mr. John W. Boland, of Gainesville, Ga., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Boland, of Liberty community. After a short visit, he returned home last Wednesday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Boland, who will visit in Gainesville for three or four weeks. They also plan to visit relatives in Atlanta and Columbus before returning home.

Mrs. Mary J. Newton left Monday morning for Augusta, Ga., where she will visit her brother, Prof. D. F. McDowell, and family. She expects to find employment in Augusta.

CHRISTMAS GUESTS

The following guests were entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mock during the Christmas holidays: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mock and daughter of Mobile, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mock and son of Mobile, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Allen and daughters of Enterprise Rt. 1, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Grooms and children of Dothan, Mr. and Mrs. Leaman Mock and daughters of Elba Rt. 3, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Mock and children of Elba Rt. 3, Mrs. J. I. Pierce of Kinston Rt. 1, Mrs. Howard Moody and daughter of Kinston Rt. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mallory and daughter of Kinston Rt. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Pierce and children of Kinston Rt. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Pierce of Pine Level.

There were many other friends and relatives who called during the hours. All the children were present except one, Sgt. Bill Mock, in the Air Corps at Smyrna, Tenn. All were very sorry of his absence, but it was impossible for him to be present, but we send him a hearty welcome when he can come. We wish him all the happiness and success during the coming new year.

May God's richest blessings be with all the boys and men in the armed forces wherever they may be.—Contributed.

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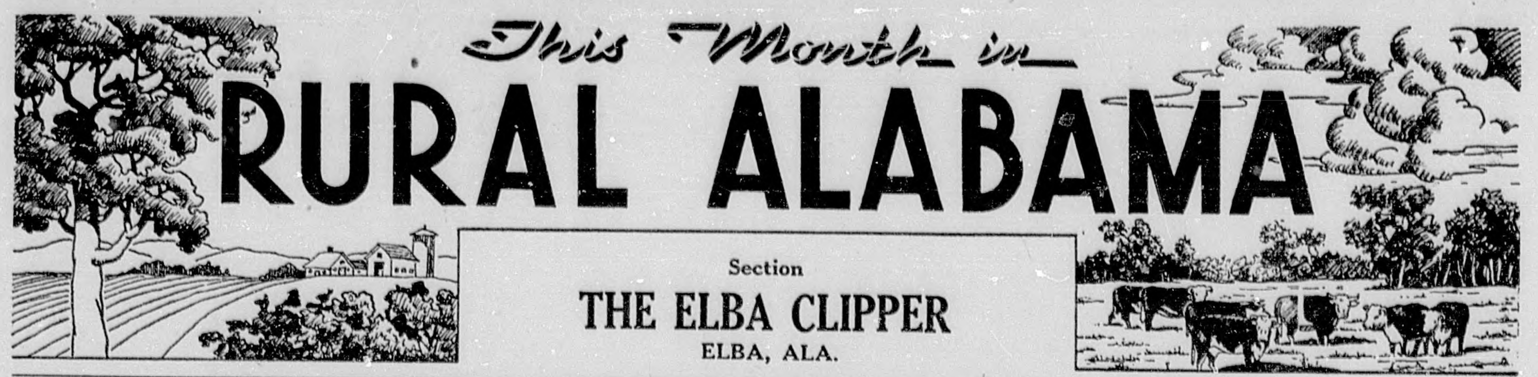

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The biggest and probably the most important job is for Alabama farmers to produce 850,000 acres of peanuts. This is 40,000 acres over last year's goal and 190,000 acres more than the indicated 1942 crop. (Other goals listed in box on this page.)

"M" Day To Be Held Tuesday, January 12

"I should like Farm Mobilization Day to be a symbol of a free America; a symbol of the might and productivity of our Nation; and a symbol of our unalterable determination to put to full use our agricultural resources, as well as our other resources, in the achievement of complete victory." These are words from President Roosevelt's proclamation in which he declared Tuesday, January 12, as Farm Mobilization Day.

On this day farmers in every part of the State—and Nation—will gather with agricultural leaders to discuss ways and means of securing maximum production. It is of greatest importance that every farmer in every community in Alabama take part in "M" Day.

Be sure that you go to your local meeting—there is one planned in practically every community. Take your neighbors with you.

ADA MARLEY CIRCLE MET AT CHURCH—

The Ada Marley Circle of the Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the church for its business and mission program on Monday afternoon at 3:45.

Mrs. W. R. Crook, vice-president, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. L. P. Morrow. Mrs. C. P. Roberts gave the devotional on the theme of "Lest We Become Encircircled," which was based on the Scripture in Isaiah 40: 3-5. Mrs. J. M. Rowe led a prayer.

During the business period the minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. Luther Vaughan, secretary, and the following committees were reported for the new year: Program, Mrs. I. Dorman, Mrs. J. M. Rowe; Finance, Mrs. C. A. Pittman, Mrs. G. M. Prescott, Mrs. Luther Vaughan; Membership, Mrs. C. P. Roberts, Mrs. J. M. Garrett; Spiritual Life Group, Mrs. A. C. Dunaway, Mrs. C. P. Roberts; Menu, Mrs. R. L. Cooper, Mrs. W. R. Crook; Parsonage, Mrs. J. M. Rowe, Mrs. Corrie Bryant, Mrs. C. P. Roberts, Mrs. L. P. Morrow.

Mrs. W. R. Crook gave a reading, "A Father's Prayer For His Boy in Service," and Mrs. C. P. Roberts gave an interesting mission talk on "The Seven Keys."

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bryan, Mrs. M. J. Lee and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick were visitors to Troy Saturday.

Cpl. Roger Winston of Camp Gruber, Okla., has been visiting relatives in Elba for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerre Hause were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Clark during the holidays.

Douglas Jones, who resides in South Florida, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones.

Lieutenant John M. Garrett of Gunter Field was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Garrett, during the week- end.

Ed Cooper has returned to College Park, Ga., to resume his studiees at G. M. A., after spending the holidays in Elba with his mother, Mrs. R. L. Cooper.

Mrs. Annie King and Miss Anita King, of Andalusia, visited Elba relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. A. A. Owen, who spent the Christmas holidays in Elba with Mr and Mrs. G. M. Prescott, has returned to New Brockton.

Mrs. Louis Inman has returned to Bainbridge, Ga., after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. R. L. Cooper.

Messers Bud Jackson and R. B. Edwards who live on Brunson Hill killed a rattlesnake Sunday which measured six feet, four inches.

Pvt. Wallace Jackson, of Fort Benning, Ga., spent three days of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Jackson..

Mr and Mrs. Boyd Murphree and baby, of Jackson, Miss., visited relatives here last week.

Miss Jeannette Garrett left Sunday for Birmingham to resume her teaching in Phillips High School.

Mrs. Annie Waters of Montgomery was the week-end guest of Mrs. Sam Blue and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Brooks, Jr., and children, of Port St. Joe, Fla., have returned to their home after a visit to Elba relatives.

Friends of Mr. J. M. Garrett will regret to learn that he is confined to his room on account of illness, and wish him an early recovery.

LETTER FROM MR MARSH

Handsboro, Miss.
December 25, 1942

Dear Mr. Bryan:

Please find check enclosed for which renew my subscription. I have just returned from Grenada, Miss., where I have been employed in defense work for the past two months. Am glad I saw your announcement that subscriptions must be paid in advance after the first of the year, for I have said many times that I always want to get every issue of The Elba Clipper.

I was in your good City for about 30 minutes some time in October and intended calling around to see you then but as there was a sick man in our group I just couldn't take the time.

This Christmas finds all my family enjoying good health and a good many things of this world's goods for which we are very thankful. My thoughts and best wishes go out at this time to all my good friends in Alabama, particularly in Coffee County.

I just enjoyed reading in The Clipper a letter from an old friend and playmate who is now with our armed forces stationed in Washington—F. M. English. There are numerous other boys from our old home county whose letters I have read and enjoyed.

Now in closing, I'll say its swell to be back on the Gulf Coast where it is almost like summer the year around, to be with my family and friends. With very best wishes to The Clipper and its readers for now and many years to come.

Sincerely yours,
J. S. MARSH.

The many friends of Mrs. Louise Bryan will be glad to learn of her return from a very pleasant visit to Mobile and Atlanta, Ga.

Pvt. Johnnie E. Manning spent the week end in Elba with his wife, Mrs. Cleone Manning.

THE ELBA THEATRE

WEEKLY PROGRAM

THURSDAY—LAST DAY
'VALLEY OF THE SUN'
—Starring—
Dean Jagger
Latest War News
Admission, 10c and 28c

FRIDAY—Double Feature
"KATHLEEN"
--Featuring-
Shirley Temple
also Western and Serial
Admission 10c and 28c

SATURDAY ALL DAY
"DEATH VALLEY RAIDERS"
Serial and Comedy
Admission 10c and 20c

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Tickets on sale at 5 p. m.
Come early
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"SONG OF THE ISLANDS"
—Starring—
Betty Grable, Jack Oakie
Technicolor
Admission 10c and 28c

TUESDAY Only—Bargain Day
"LONE STAR RANGER"
—With—
John Kimbrough
All Seats 11c

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
"CALL OUT THE MARINES"
—With—
Victor McLaglen, Edmond Lowe

Miss Katherine Gwin of Bessemer was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bryan for several days during the week.

Mrs. Arkey Johnson and little daughter, who live on Troy Rt. 2, were visitors to Elba last week.

Misses Elizabeth Rowe and Odelle Carmichael of Montgomery were guests of Miss Zadie Rowe and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rowe for the week-end.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, S. E. Sawyer and Lorine Sawyer, have sold all of our right, title and interest in the partnership of ELBA LIVESTOCK AUCTION MARKET, which is also known as the Elba Livestock Market, to W. L. Walsh, Elba, Alabama; and have also sold all of our right, title and interest in the partnership of ELBA HATCHERY to the said W. L. Walsh, Elba, Alabama, and that we have no further interest in either of said partnerships, and will not be liable to anyone for any of the debts or obligations of either of said partnerships hereafter.

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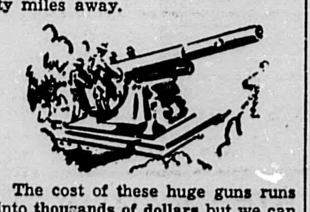

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U. S. Treasury Department

'Impossible'

By DUFORD JENNE
McClure Syndicate—WNU Features.

THE words followed Mary to her room like a dooming sentence. In going down the hall of the boarding house she had passed Edith Lyman's room, and the door had been ajar. A group of girls were evidently discussing with Edith, who was a leader among them, some party planned for the evening; and Edith had said:

"Oh, we can't ask Mary! Ted wouldn't go with her—she's impossible!"

That was all Mary heard, but it was enough. She closed her door and stood in stricken silence. "Impossible"—how the word rang in her ears!

She was almost on the verge of tears when there was a knock on the door. She hastily controlled herself, and Edith stuck her bright head into the room.

"Hello, Mary, we're going out to a dance tonight, and couldn't you go?"

Mary's heart skipped a beat, but she was almost on the point of saying, "No!" for she knew she was being asked just to "fill in." But she was hungry to get away from the drab routine of her days, and said hesitatingly, "Yes, I'd—I'd love to go, Edith."

"O. K., then, Mary, Ted will take you."

Mary sat still a moment—Ted, one of the most welcome of the boys who came to the house, whose kindly, attractive face always had a pleasant smile for Mary.

She dressed as carefully as she could, and she was ready when Ted came.

On the journey to the dance hall, through the crowded subway, Ted's kindness and thoughtfulness pleased her and drove away some of the chill the word "Impossible" had left.

At the hall, she entered into the spirit of the evening with all her soul, warning herself that this chance might not come again.

When the evening was over, however, and Ted had left her with a kindly good-night and in the silence of her room she "took stock" she was aware that he had shown no more than courteous interest in her.

"And I was so happy with him! If he would only ask me again!" she whispered to herself.

But he didn't, not that week-end, nor the next; and in the meantime, Mary brooded on the word that had condemned her so simply.

Finally, in desperation, she went to motherly old Mrs. Ober, who worked in some dressmaking shop, and told her the whole story.

Mrs. Ober listened, and said gently:

"Then, listen, my dear. Every girl has something of charm about her; and it is her duty to study in every way she can to bring it out. Now your—your dresses ought to be changed; it's not a matter of cost but of right choices. You see, some women have a gift for figuring such things out; and some haven't. Now, it's my business to help those who haven't; and suppose we see what we can do?"

Mary's eager agreement made the older woman smile, and they went ahead with their plans.

So the day came when Mary, while Mrs. Ober looked on with interested eyes, faced herself in her mirror in a real party dress. She was amazed at the change. Her bobbed hair had been changed in such a way as to bring out the oval of her face and the curve of her slim neck; and the dress, simple enough in design, did the rest.

"You see?" Mrs. Ober said, and Mary turned and rushed into her arms.

Things seemed to happen after that. She was hurrying down the hall to Mrs. Ober's room for the purpose of having a small change made in the dress when she met Ted at the top of the stairs. He looked at her with sudden, keen interest.

"Hullo, Mary, I hardly knew you! What is that—a new dress?" he asked with frank admiration in his eyes.

His glance set something to singing within her. "A real party dress!" she announced, as she slipped by.

Then came Edith's comment later on. "Midget, where did you get that bob? It's the work of an artist!" Then, happiest of all, came Ted with his own invitation to join him and his own special group at an evening dance.

It was in the quiet of one of the alcoves of the beautiful room outside the dance floor that he turned to her. "Mary, you are the same girl and yet you aren't, and I can't figure out what has made the difference. You remember the other time? I enjoyed having you with me then, but I feel now as if it were almost somebody else." He was smiling, but his ways were frank and he could not hide his puzzled thought.

Mary was chanting to herself, "I won't be lonesome any more," but she said to him: "The reason—oh, only a woman knows! But you don't think I'm 'Impossible'?"

He caught her hand in a tense grasp. "'Impossible'!—I should say not—and it's going to take a darned good man to get you away from me!" he said with decision.

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Mr. John W. Boland, of Gainesville, Ga., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Boland, of Liberty community. After a short visit, he returned home last Wednesday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Boland, who will visit in Gainesville for three or four weeks. They also plan to visit relatives in Atlanta and Columbus before returning home.

Mrs. Mary J. Newton left Monday morning for Augusta, Ga., where she will visit her brother, Prof. D. F. McDowell, and family. She expects to find employment in Augusta.

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The following guests were entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mock during the Christmas holidays: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mock and daughter of Mobile, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mock and son of Mobile, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Allen and daughters of Enterprise Rt. 1, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Grooms and children of Dothan, Mr. and Mrs. Leaman Mock and daughters of Elba Rt. 3, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Mock and children of Elba Rt. 3, Mrs. J. I. Pierce of Kinston Rt. 1, Mrs. Howard Moody and daughter of Kinston Rt. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mallory and daughter of Kinston Rt. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Pierce and children of Kinston Rt. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Pierce of Pine Level.

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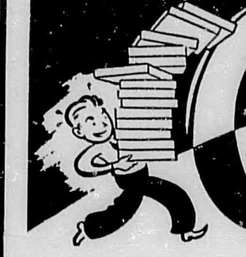

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U.S. 1943 Goals

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Great Production Expected In 1943

ALABAMA farmers have swung into what promises to be the greatest year of farm production in the history of our country. With the call sounded for greatly increased food and feed production, farmers are going into the year with the determination that they will do their part in producing vital crops needed to win the war.

The Alabama goals call for big increases in peanuts, soybeans, hogs, cattle and calves, chickens, eggs, and turkeys. A considerable decrease is asked for in cotton acreage, which will go into the other badly needed crops, mainly peanuts.

The biggest and probably the most important job is for Alabama farmers to produce 850,000 acres of peanuts. This is 40,000 acres over last year's goal and 190,000 acres more than the indicated 1942 crop. (Other goals listed in box on this page.)

"M" Day To Be Held Tuesday, January 12

"I should like Farm Mobilization Day to be a symbol of a free America; a symbol of the might and productivity of our Nation; and a symbol of our unalterable determination to put to full use our agricultural resources, as well as our other resources, in the achievement of complete victory." These are words from President Roosevelt's proclamation in which he declared Tuesday, January 12, as Farm Mobilization Day.

On this day farmers in every part of the State—and Nation—will gather with agricultural leaders to discuss ways and means of securing maximum production. It is of greatest importance that every farmer in every community in Alabama take part in "M" Day.

Be sure that you go to your local meeting—there is one planned in practically every community. Take your neighbors with you.

The State Of Your Health

(Prepared especially for **This Month in Rural Alabama** by the State Department of Health.)

MOTHERHOOD is much less hazardous in Alabama now than it was a few decades ago.

This is emphasized by a comparison of maternal mortality rates for last year with those for earlier years. The provisional 1941 rate was only about two-thirds as high as the 1915 rate and only about four-fifths as high as the rate for 1938.

In 1915, 74.9 Alabama mothers succumbed to conditions associated with childbirth for every 10,000 babies born in the State, including stillbirths. In 1938 this ratio dropped to only 63 maternal deaths per 10,000 births and last year, on the basis of provisional reports, it was only 50.3 maternal deaths for every 10,000 births.

This saving of life among Alabama mothers is undoubtedly largely due to improved medical and nursing care which they are receiving before, during and after the birth of their babies.

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Only about one Alabamian out of every three who succumbed in 1940 to accidents of any kind was receiving hospital treatment at the time of his death.

Of the 1,889 men, women and children who died from accidental causes in this State during that year, only 681 died in hospitals, according to a tabulation prepared by the Bureau of the Census. The percentage for the United States as a whole was considerably higher.

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Present indications are that Alabama is not likely to experience a serious influenza epidemic during the next few months, although the usual seasonal increase in the prevalence of the disease is to be expected.

In the fall of 1940 a serious influenza outbreak was under way in Hawaii and began moving eastward. It reached Alabama early in the new year, and caused more cases to be reported in January alone than during the other 11 months of the year combined. Although some sections of the country, notably Texas, have experienced a marked increase in the incidence of this disease, there is no reason to suppose that conditions similar to those prevailing in the early weeks of 1941 are approaching. However, the outlook may change rapidly.

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An average of slightly more than two patients used each of the 480 beds in Alabama's eight tuberculosis sanatoria last year.

The eight sanatoria are situated in or near Birmingham, Montgomery, Gadsden, Mobile, Decatur, Anniston, Scottsboro, and LaFayette. Total 1941 admissions were 1,020.

Many children's teeth begin decaying before they reach their third birthdays, and the average child is said to have three sore, decayed or aching teeth by the time he is old enough to start to school. During the ensuing 12 years, or by the time he becomes 18, he may be expected to have lost or suffered injury to eight permanent teeth as a result of the condition known as caries, or tooth decay. It is estimated that nine-tenths of the children now enrolled in the nation's schools are victims of this condition.

This most unfortunate situation is the result of neglect of the teeth. Although small cavities can occur in less than six months, a regular twice-a-year dental examination, followed by the filling of any cavities that may be discovered, should prevent them from becoming a menace to the child's health.

Education Board Offers War-Time Training Program

TO speed up war production in industrial plants and on the farm by better qualifying persons to fill war jobs is the main objective of the program of rural war production training of out-of-school persons set up by the State Department of Education.

Training centers to carry out this program are set up in various rural communities where equipment and other facilities are available and are supervised by local vocational agricultural teachers and county superintendents of education. Any out-of-school person who has attained the age of 17 years may enroll in this training course.

Some of the courses offered include (1) operation, care, and repair of tractors, trucks, and automobiles; (2) metal work including welding, tempering, drilling, shaping, and machinery repair; (3) woodworking; (4) elementary electricity; (5) repair, operation, and construction of farm machinery and equipment; (6) increasing milk production; (7) increasing poultry production; (8) increasing egg production; (9) increasing pork production; (10) increasing beef production; (11) increasing peanut production; (12) increasing vegetable production; (13) production, conservation, and processing of food for farm families.

Attic Turned Into Bedroom For $3.43

FOR a cost of $3.43 Ida Meigs of Winston County has turned the attic space in her home into an attractive bedroom.

She ceiled the attic smooth with slabs then covered the room with cardboard boxes and papered with building paper. The bed was revarnished, a spread, vanity dresser cover and curtains were made from fertilizer sacks.

The rug used in the room is made from thread spun by her 86-year-old mother.

Homemade Peanut Butter Better, Saves Money

MRS. F. C. PATTERSON of Limestone County says that the peanut butter she makes at home is not only better but saves her money.

Here are a few tips she gives on making peanut butter: If the nuts aren't over-parched the product will have more oil. Run nuts through food chopper three times, using the peanut butter knife. Add salt after the first grinding. Oil develops if the finished product is partially sealed in sterilized jars and simmered in hot water from 45 minutes to an hour.

J. I. Lightfoot (right) of Pike County has found crotalaria to be a real soil builder. Voluntary crotalaria from a planting made four years ago has increased corn yields from 8 to 28 bushels per acre on his farm. Here Mr. Lightfoot is seen discussing the 1942 corn crop with M. B. Smith, work unit conservationist.

Morgan Farmers Like Peanuts

COUNTY Agent B. G. Hall estimates that Morgan County farmers will market 1200 tons of peanuts from last year's crop, adding approximately $96,000 to their income.

Mr. Hall says that farmers are well satisfied with the results of peanuts and cites this example:

Mark Flack of West Point Community planted two bags of peanuts last spring and harvested 6,484 pounds of No. 1 peanuts and four tons of good legume hay the past fall. The income from the peanuts and hay was $309.08, as compared to $381.00 from five acres of cotton on the same farm. Mr. Flack kept an accurate account of the cost of producing both cotton and peanuts and found that the net income per acre from cotton was $38.02, while that from peanuts was $27.10.

"Peanuts are the best crop I have found to use in getting that extra cotton acreage," said Mr. Flack.

Blue Lupine Planted For Seed Production

HOUSTON County farmers have planted an estimated 75,000 pounds of blue lupine, most of which will be for seed production.

Many farmers have found that they can successfully produce their own cover crop seed from small acreages of blue lupine. Others expect to produce blue lupine seed on a commercial basis. Yields averaging from 800 to 2000 pounds of seed per acre have been made.

Storing Turnips

"WE are expecting to enjoy fresh turnips all during the winter," says R. N. Rutherford of Limestone County in explaining how he built his storage pit.

A pit three by four feet and one foot deep was dug. This was boarded up one-half foot above the ground and dirt banked to keep out the cold. After the turnips were placed in the pit, hay and tin were used to cover them.

Tea From Persimmon Leaves Tasty, Healthful

DON'T worry too much when tea joins coffee on the list of scarcities. Just brew up a tasty cup of persimmon leaves.

Science Service says persimmon tea is good for you—it's full of scurvy preventing Vitamin C. Real tea has proved to have only about one per cent as much Vitamin C as tea from persimmon leaves. Tea made from chopped up dried leaves tastes rather well with a little sugar—similar to sassafras tea.

Dairy Reminders For January

By F. W. BURNS
Extension Dairyman

COWS producing 300 pounds of butterfat give a 70 per cent greater return above feed cost than cows producing only 200 pounds of butterfat per year. We must increase the production of our Alabama dairy herds by (1) better feeding, (2) use of more production bred sires, and (3) keeping the heifers from our highest producing cows for herd replacements.

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It will pay to add one per cent salt and one per cent steamed bone meal or ground limestone to the home mixed concentrates fed to dairy cows this winter. Many cows have been diagnosed by farmers as suffering from "hollow horn" when all that was needed to make a complete cure was a small amount of calcium and phosphorus added regularly to the ration.

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Start feeding dairy calves grain and hay when they are three weeks old. A good starting grain mixture for these calves is equal parts of shelled corn and oats. Give them what they will clean up twice daily in addition to their milk.

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A dairyman who must feed inferior hay that is bleached, coarse or full of weeds should feed more protein in his grain mixture. Unless this low-grade hay is supplemented by a properly-balanced grain feed, cows will materially fall off in production when pastures are no longer available.

According to Washington officials, here is what farmers did in milk production during 1942: They produced a sea of milk big enough to float every battleship, aircraft carrier, cruiser, destroyer, and submarine in the United States Navy.

Look These Over

New Year's Resolutions For Alabama Dairymen

1. I will provide two acres of improved pasture for each dairy cow on my farm.
2. I will plant sufficient temporary grazing crops to supplement the permanent pasture during drought periods.
3. I will produce two tons of quality hay or three tons of ensilage and one ton of hay for each dairy cow on my farm.
4. I will produce 15 bushels of corn and 15 bushels of oats or 500 pounds of velvet beans for each milking cow.
5. I will purchase sufficient cottonseed meal and peanut meal to properly supplement my home grown grain.
6. I will breed my cows to production bred bulls only.
7. I will raise sufficient heifers for herd replacements and sell my surplus heifers to 4-H Club members.
8. I will keep milk and feed records on the individual cows in my herd so that I can eliminate the unprofitable boarder cows.
9. I will produce only quality dairy products that will be good enough for our armed forces or our allies.
10. I will do my part to help produce Alabama's 1943 goal of 1,360,000,000 pounds.

"Meat Saver"

WHY not try a soybean loaf? It's good—and is a "meat saver."

Soybean Loaf

2 cups cold cooked soybeans
1 cup bread crumbs
1 egg
1 tablespoon chopped onion.
Salt and pepper
⅓ cup cooked tomato

Soak the dry beans overnight or for several hours in water. Drain, add fresh water and boil slowly for one or two hours until tender. If pressure cooker is available, cooking for one-half hour with 10 pounds pressure gives good results.

Run soybeans through food chopper or colander.

Combine with other ingredients, form into loaf and bake for one hour.

Mill Built Last War Attracts More Farmers With Wheat To Grind

JOHN BATTLE'S flour mill, established in Bibb County 24 years ago to serve farmers producing wheat for the food emergency of World War I, has continued to operate through the years and again more farm people in this section are interested in the production of wheat for their own needs.

Mr. Battle says he has ground approximately 2,000 bushels of wheat yearly. His mill serves Bibb, Shelby, Chilton, Autauga, Tuscaloosa, Hale, Perry, and Pickens counties.

Anticipating a shortage of commercial nitrogen next spring, many Alabama farmers are busy making compost pens. They are easily constructed at little cost and are effective means of saving manure, leaves, grasses and other waste materials that provide valuable plant food. Claude W. Goolsby, Covington County, is shown here filling a compost pen on his farm.

Grub Treatment Reduces Losses

BY using an effective treatment, cattle growers can materially reduce the damage done by cattle grubs and at the same time help the nation reach the increase in meat so urgently needed.

Reports from the biggest packing plants indicate that 35 per cent of all cattle slaughtered in the United States are classed as grubby and are devalued. Grub damage is estimated to cost the cattle industry 100 million dollars annually.

Livestock specialists of the Alabama Extension Service say that cattle grubs can be extracted by pressing down around the cyst with the thumb and forefinger of each hand. Forceps may also be used to enlarge grub hole and extract the grub. A wash of derris powder, one pound; water, one gallon; and soap, 2 ounces briskly rubbed in with a brush is very effective.

This perfect farm timber stand supplies plenty of firewood from overcrowded and defective trees. If the best trees are allowed to grow another 15 years, their value will probably be close to $100 per acre.

Valley Farmers Make Progress

FARMERS in the Tennessee Valley area have increased crop yields and improved their soil to a great extent during the last few years, reports Fred Dawson, chairman of the Watershed Area Association.

Mr. Dawson points out that 567,810 acres have been terraced on 33,147 farms since 1935. From two pastures treated with phosphate and lime and seeded to a proper pasture mixture in this area in 1934 pasture acreage has grown to 50,000 acres. Perennial legume acreage totals 26,000 acres. Winter legume acreage increased from 60,000 to 240,600 from 1935 to 1941. Annual lespedeza acreage also increased from 99,900 to 214,178 acres during the same period.

These farmers saved the following amounts of legume seed during 1941: white Dutch clover, 111,400 pounds; sericea, 303,600 pounds; winter legumes, 2,461,400 pounds; and annual lespedeza, 1,451,000.

The use of phosphatic fertilizers has increased from the equivalent of 2,100 tons of 16 per cent material in 1935 to the equivalent of 24,000 tons in 1941. These farmers increased their use of lime from 2,214 tons to 48,762 tons during the same period.

She Serves Soybeans

FROM one cup of seed planted last spring, Mrs. Jessie Barnes of Shelby County saved one-half bushel of dried edible soybeans.

Mrs. Barnes began serving the beans while they were still green. She prepared most of the soybeans like any other beans—by boiling with salt pork and serving with onions, peppers, or pepper sauce; or with tomato sauce as in a baked bean dish.

Land Not Cultivated During '43 Should Be Planted To Legumes

By J. C. LOWERY
Extension Agronomist

WHAT to do with land which cannot be cultivated in row crops in 1943 is a big question on many Alabama farms as the new year begins.

On thousands of Alabama farms annual lespedeza, a soil-improving summer legume, is the answer to this question. Crop yields following successful crops of lespedeza are usually greatly increased as a result of the nitrogen and organic matter left in the soil. This crop succeeds on practically all soils of Alabama except the lime soils of the Black Belt. On light, depleted, sandy soils it is an uncertain crop.

With limited labor and time, lespedeza is an ideal crop for seeding on land that will be out of cultivation for a few years, since the seed are sown broadcast late in February or early March. Sow on firm seed bed and cover lightly with harrow, drag, cultipacker or roller, so seed will not drift if heavy rains come. Apply basic slag or superphosphate on all land to be seeded to lespedeza.

Aside from being used as a soil-builder, lespedeza is a good grazing crop to supplement permanent pastures in summer. On better moist lands it will grow tall enough to cut for hay.

In addition to cropland that may be out of cultivation in 1943, there are thousands of acres of depleted idle lands giving no returns. These acres could be seeded to lespedeza and left in the crop for several years. By this method much land could be brought back into production of crops, pastures, or small grain.

Another practical way of using land which cannot be cultivated is to broadcast velvet beans or plant them in rows. County Agent G. H. Dyar points out that a considerable number of Lee County farmers follow the practice of broadcasting velvet beans and plowing or disking them in. Some drop seed between old cotton rows, leaving the old stalk standing. These farmers did not go to expense of planting corn in velvet beans and in most cases no cultivation was done. Enough growth was made to give the land good cover and in addition considerable grazing for cattle during early winter was provided.

Kudzu and sericea are good crops to plant. When well established these plants will furnish valuable hay, grazing, and land cover. These deep-rooted legumes are very fine soil-builders. In tests and demonstrations they have given increases of 20 to 30 bushels of corn per acre.

Keep land not in crops in 1943 in some kind of legume for grazing or feed and for soil improvement.

Crop Insurance Saves The Day For Many

EIGHTEEN hundred and fifty-three Alabama farmers have found the approximately $300,000 paid them under the cotton crop insurance program will come in mighty handy—and for many it has saved the day. T. H. Martin, in charge of crop insurance for the State AAA, says these figures cover payments through December 10. "More payments are going out daily," he added.

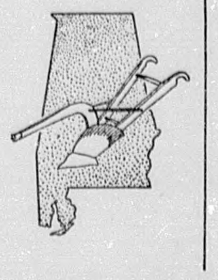
These payments cover cotton crop losses over which the insured farmers had no control, including excessive rain, drought, boll weevil, etc. Losses were from a few pounds under normal production to complete crop losses.

One farmer who had a total loss said upon receiving his check, "It would take all the profits from several good crops in the future to make up for the amount I would have lost on this year's crop if I had not taken crop insurance."

Will Howard Smith, Autauga County, is looking over a "big 'un" in his collard fields. He has found this an excellent way to add to his income.

Along the Way

with P. O. DAVIS



No. 1 Question for All: "How Can I Contribute Most to Victory?"

EVER since the United States declared war upon the Axis Nations on December 8, 1941, there has been no question about winning the war. This we can, we must, we will do. A question for each of us is: How can I contribute most to victory? This is the No. 1 question for each of us to ask ourselves daily; then check at night our record to see if we have accomplished the most.

Wars are won by a combination of little jobs which, in turn, become enormous in the aggregate. Thousands of men, for example, working in a big plant turn out hundreds of war machines each day. On American farms two million families are busy; and in 1942 they produced more farm products than during any previous year. So, farmers were doing the best job they could, knowing that food, fat, and fiber are necessities in war, and to victory.

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OUR farm production goals for 1943 are now before us. This is true for farmers of each state. Figures for Alabama are: 850,000 acres in peanuts for harvest against 580,000 harvested in 1942; 35,000 acres in soybeans against 21,000 in 1942; 1,600,000 acres in cotton against 1,791,000 in 1942.

Since cotton acreage is to be reduced land not in cotton may produce peanuts. Irish potato acreage is to be increased slightly; sweet potatoes the same. But more sweet potatoes should be planted for home consumption.

This reminds me again that the home supply of food will be more important in 1943 than any year in recent history. We need more and better food. Our fighting forces need more; and our Allies need more. Purchase of it will be difficult. A good many products will not be available in adequate quantities.

So, every wise person who has land will make food this year. This is too important to overlook. Success in doing it requires attention to details and enough actual work when needed. Rewards should be abundant.

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LIVESTOCK production goals for 1943 are both a challenge and an opportunity to every Alabama farmer. They challenge in that our armed forces need these products; our Allies abroad need them; and all of us at home need them. To be patriotic, therefore, we must produce them.

The opportunity is in the fact that Alabama farming will be better and more profitable if more livestock are produced. This includes hogs, dairy cattle, beef cattle, sheep, and poultry.

Will Howard Smith, a successful Autauga County farmer, places hogs at the top of his list of livestock opportunities. William H. Gregory, extension livestock specialist at Auburn, agrees that this is true for Alabama. Neither discredits any other animal; each sees in hogs the best opportunity for most farmers to improve their operations and increase their income.

Mr. Smith warns us that good stock, cheap feed, and good health are essentials. Parasites have given him a lot of trouble but he has learned how to control them.

Alabama farmers are asked to produce this year, compared with last year, 21 per cent more cattle and calves, 17 per cent more sheep and lambs, 5 per cent more hogs, 5 per cent more milk, 12 per cent more chickens, 16 per cent more eggs, and 15 per cent more turkeys.

I repeat that each of these is both a challenge and an opportunity to Alabama farmers in 1943. I believe that they will accept both and take full advantage of them.

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FARMERS, of course, will have many handicaps. There are fewer people to work on farms. About 20 per cent will be able to get all the new implements they want; and these must be distributed by rationing. Less fertilizer is available.

But farmers are versatile people. They know how to succeed under handicaps. They like to be neighborly. They will exchange uses of machines. They will produce more fertilizer and legumes and save more barn-yard manure. They will help each other.

All of these and many other things are essential to the job for 1943. Farmers have never failed. I'm sure they will succeed again this year. I'll bet they do.

Wartime Farm Financing

By J. C. FORD

MONEY is plentiful and credit easy. Anyone can get in debt in times like these. A good test of one's ability is: "Can he use credit to increase production, pay up on time and be cash money ahead when the books are balanced?" A farmer who does that now is rendering a patriotic service to his country.

The Government is calling for all-out production by farmers. Farmers who need credit to meet the challenge will be wise to use it. On the other hand those who do not need credit will be wise not to borrow money now. If borrowed, it should be wisely used.

To enable farmers to plan safely and to produce to the limit, the Government is guaranteeing prices for milk, meat, poultry and eggs, peanuts and the oil-rich varieties of soybeans. The guarantees are to be in effect during the war and for one or two years afterward.

Important points in financing a maximum program in wartime and during the post-war adjustment period are:

1. **Limit the use of credit:** Use short-term credit, if credit is needed, from local banks, production credit associations, etc., to produce the maximum of the price-supported products. Bear in mind that "store credit" is always at a high interest rate. Limit the use of credit to amounts that can be paid in full before the expiration of the period of guaranteed prices. Be "on your feet" when the war boom collapses, as it most assuredly will.

2. **Some constructive uses of credit are:** (a) To keep up soil fertility by use of legumes, such fertilizer as can be bought, making compost, erosion prevention. (b) To increase food production by establishing or improving permanent pastures and perennial hays. (c) To increase livestock if sufficient feed is available. (d) To convert from Grade B to Grade A milk if the market outlook will justify. (e) To buy supplementary feed, such as mash supplement and oyster shell for poultry; minerals and protein supplement for hogs. (f) To buy baby chicks and broiler mash. (g) To buy new farm equipment. (h) To pay for repair parts and shop work for farm equipment. (i) To take care of workstock: treatment of teeth, worm treatments, a workstock clinic, if possible.

The county agent and banker or representative of the production Credit Association can help a farmer to work out a program that will combine maximum production with safety.

3. **Pay debts:** Farmers who are in debt should apply most of their increased wartime and immediate post-war earnings to paying off debts. W. W. Fussell, of the New Orleans Federal Land Bank, made the statement recently in Auburn that in Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana about 2,000 farmers per month are paying their mortgages in full before maturity. Some of this money came from the sale of timber. These farmers are using good judgment. Of course, even a farmer who is in debt is justified in putting some money into War Bonds just to have a first-hand part in helping to save the United States in the greatest crisis it has faced since the 1860's.

4. **Buy bonds:** A farmer who is free from debt, or whose debts are not burdensome should put all the money he can spare into War Bonds. There are many reasons for this: (a) It is a patriotic support of the Government. (b) The bonds are a safe investment. (c) They will not shrink in dollar value during the post-war readjustment period. It is probable that most property will shrink in dollar value when the boom subsides. (d) The interest rate is fair. (4) Savings in bonds now will provide money for use during the lean years after the war.

Editor's Note—Use of credit for the purchase of land will be discussed in a later issue of this paper.

Proper Thinning Pays Timber Owners

By CHARLES R. ROSS
Extension Forester

PROPER thinning of timber stands will pay on every Alabama farm where needed. The object is to cut the crooked, diseased, broken, very limby, and poorly formed trees, allowing valuable trees to grow larger and faster.

Now is the best time for this job since insect damage will be at a minimum.

The product from most improvement work is wood for fuel. If cut this winter, the wood will be well-seasoned for use next fall and winter. With six to nine months seasoning, wood has 50 per cent more heating value.

Make improvement cuttings according to a plan. Start at a given point and complete each acre as you go. The next year, start where you left off. In this manner many acres can be improved over a period of several years.

Thinning thick stands of sapling pines is a special kind of job. It is well to make a first thinning before the trees are three and one-half inches in diameter. The thinning should leave 500 to 700 trees per acre, which means leaving stems on an average of eight or nine feet apart. The second thinning would leave about 250 trees per acre, or an average spacing of about 13 feet.

Curtis Haraway is the first farmer in the United States to pay off a mortgage under the Bankhead-Jones Tenant Purchase program from the sale of crops and livestock. He and his wife are examining their record book—and look pretty pleased about the whole situation.

Limestone Farmer First To Pay TP Loan With Crop And Livestock Sales

TO Curtis Haraway, Limestone County farmer, who was formerly a sharecropper, goes the honor of being the first borrower to pay off his farm mortgage with crop and livestock proceeds under the Bankhead-Jones Tenant Purchase Act. Mr. Haraway recently finished paying for his $3,050 farm, and at a ceremony held in Athens on December 18 Senator John H. Bankhead returned his mortgage to him.

In December, 1938, Mr. Haraway and his wife moved to a 171-acre farm bought under the Tenant Purchase Program. Here they not only were able to repay the loan but now have assets—including $1,000 in cash—amounting to $9,440. They produced 18½ bales of cotton on 20 acres, 600 pounds of peanuts on one acre, 560 bushels of corn on 14 acres and an abundance of sorghum, hay, and other feed crops and potatoes in 1942. In addition they have 11 purebred heifers, three mules, two brood sows, 21 six-month-old hogs and 120 purebred Hampshire Red pullets. This couple depends not only upon crop sales, but are at present averaging $4 weekly from cream and $5.60 from egg sales.

Things To Do In January

HERE are some of the things farmers over the State will be doing in January. Check over the list and see if there are any you need to do:

Complete preparation of rows for setting kudzu and land for seeding pastures, if this has not been done. Clear bottomland for establishing pasture.

Purchase or arrange for enough breeder seed of the recommended variety of cotton and corn to plant at least a seed patch.

Reclean home-grown seed on hand and have them ready for planting or for sale.

Compost leaves and other waste plant material. Keep straw or leaves in stalls and barnyard.

Arrange now for lespedeza seed for seeding alone or on small grain in February or early March.

Obtain seed of pasture plants to be sown in February or March.

Cut cotton and corn stalks. (Cotton stalks should not be cut in vetch seed patches.)

Work out conservation practices to be done during 1943 in cooperating in AAA program. Determine how many kudzu crowns, how much phosphate, lime and basic slag can be used on the farm and arrange to get these materials.

Sericea Does It!

THREE years ago C. B. Gains, Marshall County, planted one acre of idle land to sericea and fertilized it with 200 pounds of triple superphosphate. Last spring he turned the sericea and planted corn. At harvest time the yield was checked and Mr. Gains had a pleasant surprise—the acre had produced 70 bushels of corn.

Mrs. Amanda Hornsby and Mrs. Lavada Hornsby are busy bottoming chairs in the chair manufacturing plant located on the farm of Wade S. Mixson and Roy S. Snellgrove, Coffee County. Materials for the chairs come from the Mixson and Snellgrove farms, or from nearby farms.

Be Careful When Pruning Plants

PRUNING to improve the shapes of plants, to remove branches that have grown well out beyond the remainder of plants and dead diseased wood will add materially to the appearance of most ornamental plantings for the winter months, points out Homer S. Fisher, extension landscape gardener.

Care should be taken in pruning plants that bear attractive fruit, cones, and pods to avoid removing many of these. Otherwise, more damage than good may result from the operation.

Although most of the flowering shrubs that bloom in the spring normally should have their major pruning immediately after flowering, it is often desirable to sacrifice a few blooms in order to have neater and more shapely plants during the winter months. This is particularly true of those used in base (foundation) plantings.

Consider These Rules In Buying Food, Clothing

WHEN buying food or clothing for the family this year consider these three simple points:

1. Buy nothing that the family can do without. Pay a debt or buy a bond, instead.

2. Study the quality of the article, read the information label, and try to buy wisely and in sufficient amounts to meet needs.

3. Buy a substitute at ceiling price rather than an article above ceiling price. Always ask about the ceiling price and do not pay above. Shop around, as ceiling prices may be lower in the store next door.

Don't Let It Bother You

DON'T be upset! Be resourceful and the "share-the-meat" program need not bother you. In fact, you may welcome the chance to see how much of the home supply of meat you are able to store and can.

For example, at this season the resourceful farm woman will be canning culls from her poultry flock, making them into a variety of canned products.

To save jars and time in canning, try this method:

Select plump, two-year old hens. Dress the chickens as for cooking, cover with water and simmer until the meat is tender. Drain off the broth to use as the liquid in canning. Strip the meat from the bones. If preferred, the white meat may be packed in separate containers. The meat may be left in large pieces or cut into smaller pieces.

Remove surplus fat; cover meat with broth, from which fat has been removed. Heat to boiling. Pack into jars, cover with liquid. Process pint jars 25 minutes and quart jars 30 minutes at 15 pounds of pressure.

Girls Didn't Get Ahead Of Him

ORELL COOPER, Geneva County 4-H Club boy, hasn't let the girls get ahead of him in canning.

A look into his smoke house shows that Orell had up to a recent date canned 270 quarts of fruits and vegetables. He has quite a variety, too—peas, 39 quarts; beans, 20; okra, 5; tomatoes, 9; peaches, 39; corn, 3; blackberries, 14; blueberries, 7; figs, 45; pears, 62; apples, 3; huckleberries, 12; beets, 9; pepper, 3 quarts.

Decaying Organic Matter Adds "Something" To Soil Not Obtained By Ample Water and Commercial Fertilizers

Organic Matter Essential

By LYLE BROWN
Extension Horticulturist

WORK DONE during the last few years by the Department of Horticulture of the Alabama Experiment Station rather clearly indicates that simple practices may be used to make the short fertilizer supply do more work than the regular quantity has done.

The use of organic matter in the soil is one of the oldest practices familiar to farmers and it has been thought down through the years that the added nitrogen from decayed plant materials and the increased water holding capacity of the soil were responsible for the large increase in yields. However, work conducted at Auburn over four crop seasons seems to indicate that something other than the usual foods and water is responsible.

The vegetable plot which received plentiful supplies of commercial fertilizers and had all the necessary water supplied by irrigation gave increased yields of as much as 75 per cent when organic matter was added. Spring potatoes increased from 130 to 229 bushels, spring snap beans from 91 to 156 bushels, and fall turnips from 18,600 to 25,500 pounds per acre when chopped lespedeza sericea was added to plots getting plenty of fertilizer and water.

Such increases could not be explained on the basis of extra plant food and water added because these needs had already been supplied. Undoubtedly, just as human beings demand vitamins in addition to their food, plants must be getting their plant hormones and other minor substances from decaying organic matter which enables them to make more efficient use of the fertilizers supplied. At any rate, much higher yields are obtained where these organic materials are used and that is the desired end.

Truck growers in the Eastern vegetable growing sections use as much as 25 or more tons of stable manure per acre. One grower writing from the Middle West says his rule is to **cover the ground** once in two years with manure. They know these fertilizer practices pay well and have made them a part of their production plan.

Alabama truck growers and farmers, generally, should use all available organic materials such as manure, leaves, peanut vines, etc., on the farm. Burning leaves, straw, stalks, and other such products instead of returning it to the land will go a long way toward impoverishing Alabama soils and defeating the plan for higher yields. It is evident they add something the regular fertilizers don't supply.

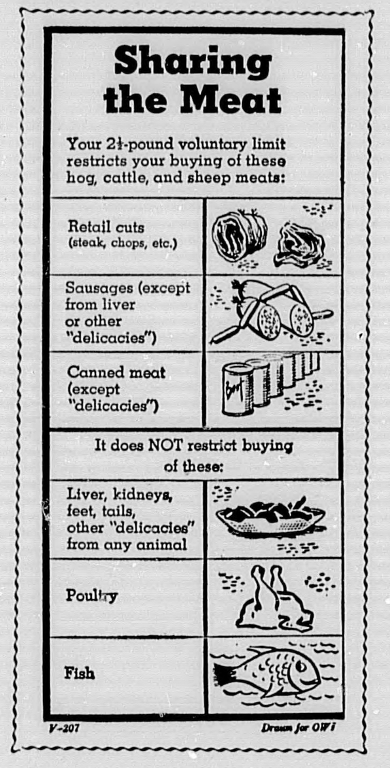
Early Preparation Makes Good Garden

MRS. W. M. BLAKE, member of the Howle's Grove Home Demonstration Club, Cleburne County, has been very successful with her fall garden due to early preparation.

Mrs. Blake says, "In June I began making plans for my fall garden by planting different seeds for plants to transplant. In August we prepared a low damp spot for the garden. Beans, both bush and pole, lima beans, peas, rutabagas, mustard, lettuce, tomatoes, collards and cabbage were planted. From this we had plenty of fresh vegetables until after frost as about three bushels of green tomatoes and a nice quantity of beans were gathered just before frost. In addition to my garden and canned products we have 100 bushels of sweet potatoes and 25 bushels of Irish potatoes stored for winter.

Over The Top!

SINCE August 1, Coosa County citizens have collected 614,382 pounds of scrap iron and rubber. This huge collection surpassed the county quota by approximately 32,000 pounds.



Try Rice

LOOKING for a good main dish —one that will help stretch the meat supply—then try rice. It is a wonderfully good mixer and makes a fine dish when combined with meat, cheese, or other protein foods.

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A dab of butter keeps the rice from boiling over.

My Family . . . And Yours

Child Health

By ELTA MAJORS
Family Life and Child Care Specialist

SOMEONE has said "figures don't lie." Therefore, let us turn to figures to see what we can find out about child health—about the needs of babies and children. Then we will study our problem and determine what we should do.

Out of every 100 children who die, the death of 75 of them could have been prevented. Equally bad is the fact that only one out of 17 supposedly healthy children really enjoys good health.

During 1939 and 1940 a group of doctors in Chicago cooperated with health agencies in an effort to determine all they could about the general health and eating habits of 6,438 pre-school and school children.

Who were these 6,000 boys and girls? They were, apparently, normal or average boys and girls from all kinds of homes.

For the sake of comparing the health of each group they were divided into three groups, according to the family income: (1) Comfortable, (2) Low income, (3) Relief families.

What facts did these doctors discover in examining these children?

1. Parents of the better income group were much more willing to have their children examined and have recommendations made as to their health than were those in poorer circumstances.

2. About 60 per cent of all the children examined needed some kind of medical attention, 59.1 per cent of the higher and 55 per cent of the lower income group.

3. Fifty-eight per cent were in need of dental care, 51.6 per cent of the high and 68.3 per cent of the lower income group.

4. Thirty-four per cent had not been immunized against diphtheria, 21 per cent had not been vaccinated against smallpox.

5. Only six per cent of the children were described as having excellent health.

What about the diet of these children?

A poor diet was more frequent at lower income levels and good diet at higher income levels, but 51 per cent of the children from economically independent homes were getting below the minimum requirement of fruits and vegetables for the protection of health.

Children from comfortable homes were in better general health than other children of like age, but at no income level was the health picture satisfactory.

If those are the facts regarding 6,000 children, there must be some truth in them regarding Alabama children.

What does this mean to Alabama rural mothers?

It means there is a definite job to do. It involves:

(1) Making a mental check of your community.

(2) Setting up definite goals for your neighborhood or community.

a. Having every pre-school child immunized against diphtheria, vaccinated against smallpox and typhoid fever.

b. Having every mother informed as to the requirements of good nutrition.

c. Finding out the services available in your county for the promotion of better health for mothers, babies, and children. See what can be done toward getting them for your community.

This is a big order but you can do it.

"Food For Family" Gets Spotlight In Bibb County

"FOOD for the family" is the subject uppermost in the minds of home demonstration club women of Bibb County.

Mrs. Fuller Horn, Sixmile Community, reported having 15 vegetables in her garden the past summer. Included were corn, butterbeans, string beans, squash, tomatoes, four or five different greens, and others. Mrs. Horn is using a new storm pit for storing potatoes and other vegetables, such as green beans, tomatoes, and peppers for home use.

Mrs. Miller Murphy, Harmon Community, has stored green peas, bushels of tomatoes, rutabagas, and egg plants for later use.

Mrs. Bennie Hubbard, 4-H leader of the Eoline Community, says that 368 pounds of edible soybeans were produced this year by seven Bibb County families, the amount per family varying from 32 to 256 pounds.

He Didn't Worry About Lupine Seed

LAST fall when many Clark County farmers were looking around for winter cover crop seed or worried about paying for them, George Dumas sat back and grinned—not a worry of this kind on his mind.

Mr. Dumas had a right to grin, for in his barn there were 700 pounds of blue lupine seed that cost him $3.50 for planting seed, about three days' work, and the use of an acre of land. Mr. Dumas was one of the farmers in the county who took the advice of the agricultural workers and planted a patch of lupine.

Had he sold the seed, they would have been worth about $70. But Mr. Dumas saved the seed and planted them in the fall to furnish nitrogen for his corn crop next year.

With a crop that provided $60 an acre profit from seed production, you may be sure that Mr. Dumas will have a seed patch again this year.

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Let's buy as many War Bonds and Stamps as we can.

Alabama women are being asked to collect tin cans, silk and nylon hosiery, and kitchen grease. Here is Miss Etna McGaugh (left), Extension home demonstration agent and State home salvage chairman, and Mrs. Frank Dixon busy gathering these materials in the latter's home. Miss McGaugh strains grease while Mrs. Dixon fills a box with clean, flattened tin cans.

Home Improvements Catch Limestone Women's Eyes

MANY Limestone County farm women are making strides in home improvements, their visiting neighbors are discovering.

Twelve new and refinished kitchens, 16 cellars with storage facilities, eight improved yards, and approximately 40 partly refinished homes have been shown to 728 women from 20 home demonstration clubs during a recent month.

For example, Mrs. C. McPherson has made a handy improvised wood box that can be filled from the outside. This caught the interest of the visiting Coxey Club women. Then in the backyard was a furnace built from rock and stucco. This is not only a means of saving fuel but also eliminates the hazard of open fires around the pot.

Mrs. McPherson also showed the members her basement where she has several hundred containers of canned food, as well as potatoes.

At Mrs. B. L. Rich's home, members saw refinishing work done on an old cabinet which transformed it into a beautiful piece of kitchen furniture.

Mrs. Henry Neal's newly completed kitchen with its soft blue, yellow and white color scheme predominating met with high approval.

Mrs. Herman Gilbert's yard, which is being landscaped, also caught the visitors' eyes.

Government Is Making Farm Labor Experiment

AN experimental program of recruiting, transporting, training and placing year-round agricultural workers got under way recently when 60 Kentucky farmers began a training course at Ohio State University.

Following their training, these farmers will be placed as dairy hands on Ohio farms, replacing workers who have gone into war industries or military service. This experimental program, Secretary Wickard explains, will involve a total of 150 farmers from submarginal farm areas in Kentucky and another 150 from a cut-over county in northern Wisconsin.

Experience gained from the experiment with these 300 potential year-round dairy workers will determine how such a program could be effective on a large scale as a further move by the Government to help alleviate the Nation's farm manpower shortage.

Lupine And Peanuts Give Good Return

SPANISH peanuts and blue lupine from the same land proved a good practice for W. E. Cook, Conecuh County.

Mr. Cook harvested an average of 1000 pounds of blue lupine seed per acre from a 14-acre field last May. At eight cents per pound, the seed brought Mr. Cook $1,184. Following the harvesting of blue lupine seed, the same acreage was planted in Spanish peanuts and returned $700. Total yield of both crops brought him $1,884, an average of $134.50 per acre.

Mr. Cook estimates that his peanut hay will take care of all expenses of the two crops.

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Turn the broom when sweeping so that it will wear evenly.

USDA Outlines Price Policies To Support Farm Production

(Continued from page 1)

"(1) So far as its resources will permit, the Department will endeavor through all the means available to it to generally support prices for dairy and poultry products, meat animals, and for those food crops which are most essential for domestic consumption and foreign shipment at a level sufficient to assure producers of attractive returns for the desired production. This general policy will of course be carried out through specific loan, purchase, or other programs which will be announced from time to time as needed.

"(2) So far as its resources will permit, the Department will endeavor to maintain feed prices, especially prices of corn, feed, wheat, and oil meal, in 1943 at about the same level as in 1942.

"(3) So far as its resources will permit, the Department will endeavor to support prices for fresh vegetables and for fresh and canning fruits which are deemed essential, through such means as may be available with respect to each commodity for which such support is necessary in order to assure growers of reasonable returns or to obtain the desired utilization. Specific prices and means of support will be announced as programs to meet each specific situation are worked out.

Loans On Basic Commodities

"(4) In the case of the basic commodities—corn, wheat, cotton, rice, and tobacco—loans will be available to eligible producers under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, at 85 or 90 per cent of the parity price for the commodity on the fifteenth of the month preceding the beginning of the marketing year, provided producers have not disapproved marketing quotas in such referenda as may be held.

"(5) In order to encourage production and assure farmers of certain minimum prices, the Department of Agriculture will support, under Section 4 (a) of the 'Steagall amendment' during the period ending June 30, 1944, or in the case of hogs September 30, 1944, through loans, purchases, or other operations, a price for eligible producers of each of the following commodities at not less than the price level stated for such commodity with adjustments where applicable for location, type, grade, and class:

"**Hogs:** 90 per cent of the parity price, but in no event less than $13.25 per hundredweight, average for good to choice butcher hogs weighing 240 to 270 pounds, at Chicago.

"**Eggs, chickens (excluding broilers or chickens weighing less than three pounds live weight) and turkeys:** 90 per cent of the parity price, but in no event a price for eggs purchased on an offer and acceptance basis equivalent to less than 30 cents per dozen in the spring and early summer and an annual average price of 34 cents per dozen, basis U. S. average farm price.

"**Butter, cheese, dry skim milk, and evaporated milk:** 90 per cent of the parity price equivalent but in no event less than 46 cents per pound for 92-score butter, Chicago basis, the equivalent of 27 cents per pound including subsidy for No. 1 American Cheese, Plymouth basis, 12.5 cents for roller and 14.5 cents for spray process dry skim milk, extra grade Midwest basis, and a comparable price for evaporated milk, f. o. b. plant basis, to be announced.

"(6) Consideration is being given to the development of a series of price supports for cover crop and hay seeds in 1943, and if such a program is decided upon a definite announcement will be made as soon as possible. Hemp seed will be purchased at not less than $9 per bushel and hemp straw at prices ranging from $30 to $50 per ton, according to grade, for the crop produced in 1943. Purchase or support prices for other special crops will be announced as needed."

Make A Hotbed

TRY a hotbed this year. You can have many vegetables two to four weeks earlier with one.

Construction of a hotbed is simple. Locate it on a protected area such as the south side of a building. Dig a hole about two feet deep, three feet wide, and six feet long. A larger bed can be made, if needed. Fill the hole with 12 to 18 inches of fresh horse manure, pack it down well and cover with six inches of soil. Use soil from woods, if possible. Do not use garden soil.

Make a wooden frame for the bed. One side should be one foot high and the opposite side should be six inches. Cover the bed with window sashes or heavy ducking.

Details on the construction and operation of the hotbed can be found in "The Home Garden" bulletin which your county agent will be glad to furnish you free of charge.

Temporary Transport Rations Allowed

OFFICE of Price Administration has issued instructions to local rationing boards permitting the granting of temporary transport rations through January where original mileage granted under certificate of war necessity is inadequate, according to word received by A. W. Jones, chairman of the Alabama USDA War Board.

Garden Jobs Are Important During January

By W. A. RUFFIN
Extension Gardener

OF the many jobs to be done on the farm this month, none is more important than those to be done in the garden. Here are some suggestions that farmers may find helpful:

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Check the garden fence for needed repairs. Mend any holes in the fence. It is quite possible that some posts will have to be replaced, and be sure that the garden gate is in good shape.

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Now is the time to broadcast manure or well-decayed compost over the garden. Apply four to six big loads, depending upon the size of the garden.

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Chop down old corn stalks, tear down bean vines, clean out old weeds and grass along the fence and give the whole area a general cleaning. After this is done, flatbreak the whole area and turn under the compost and litter. The sooner this is done the better it will be for the 1943 garden. Early turning gives plenty of time for the litter to decay and the cleaning should destroy many insects that would cause trouble during the spring and summer. Do not burn grass and weeds. Turn them under.

There's A Place For Kudzu On Nearly All Alabama Farms

ON practically every farm in Alabama there is need for kudzu. J. C. Lowery, Extension agronomist, suggests that you check this list of places where kudzu can be used and determine where it will fit best on your farm. Kudzu can be used:

1. On fertile cropland for hay, grazing and crown production. Also as a soil-building crop fitting into long-time rotation.
2. On steep slopes within cultivated fields.
3. Long steep slopes that must remain in cultivation.
4. In meadow outlets for disposal of terrace water.
5. For roadside and bank protection.
6. In gullies.
7. On badly eroded and depleted areas.

After determining where kudzu should be planted, get land in shape now to plant it in late February or early March, or after danger of heavy freezing is past. Be sure it is planted before growth starts.

If land has not yet been prepared it is best to lay off rows twenty-five feet apart and flatbreak land later. This is because there are so few days in January suitable for plowing that more land can be prepared for planting kudzu by simply laying off rows.

If using barnyard manure as fertilizer, it is a good idea to put one ton of it down when rows are laid off. Other fertilizers that can be used are 200 pounds of 16 per cent superphosphate, or its equivalent, or 200 pounds of complete fertilizer.

Under the AAA program a payment of $6 per acre will be made for establishing permanent cover of kudzu.

If you'd like to have certain vegetables two to four weeks earlier than usual, then try a hotbed. Construction of a hotbed is simple. A hole two feet deep, three wide, and six feet long plus horse manure plus a few boards and window sashes or ducking is all that is needed.

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Package Mailing For Soldiers Overseas Is Now Prohibited

Postmaster W. L. English has just received an order which goes into effect Friday, January 15, curtailing mail service to soldiers who are serving overseas.

In brief, the regulations prohibit sending of packages of any kind to A. P. O.'s Overseas, except on written request of the service man and approval by his Commanding Officer. In addition to packages, no Insured Mail, No C. O .D Mail and No Registered Mail will be accepted for Overseas delivery.

No newspapers or magazines can be remailed to the soldiers overseas. Publishers will be allowed to continue subscriptions they now have, provided the papers are wrapped in special wrappers and are properly marked. New subscriptions will be confined to requests coming from the soldiers in writing.

The order applies only to personnel of the U. S. Army and to civilians served through A. P. O's outside the Continental United States. It does not affect mail for the Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard.

Parents of soldiers overseas will regret to learn of this action by the Postoffice Department, but it was stated that the space for the package mail was badly needed for transporting items of vital war necessity.

NEW HOPE JR. CLUB

The New Hope Jr. 4-H Club met January 6. The club elected new officers for the new year as follows:

President, James Willie Tatum; vice-president, Jerry Ward; secretary, Jimmie Dean Jordan; reporter, Maurice Law; song leader, Holland Jacobs.

Mr. King gave some points on how to vaccinate hogs for cholera and the necessity of having them vaccinated.

Maurice Law, Reporter.

The many friends of Mr. Curry Taylor will be glad to know that he is improving after being confined to his bed for several days.

DOZIER BRYAN PROMOTED TO MAJOR

Hendricks Field, Sebring, Fla.—Promotion of Captain Dozier S. Bryan, of Elba, Alabama, to Major has been announced at the headquarters of this Army Air Forces four-engine bomber school.

Major Bryan, one of the most popular officers here, is a squadron commander. News of his promotion made Major Bryan almost as happy as he was when he witnessed Alabama defeat Boston College in the Orange Bowl game at Miami, New Year's Day.

S. T. C. CLASSES FOR IN-SERVICE TEACHERS

The first regular meeting of classes offered by State Teachers' College, Troy, to in service teachers will be held at the college Saturday, January 16, beginning promptly at 9:15.

Each of the following courses will be offered provided a minimum of ten students enroll for the class: History, Geography, Education and Science.

FAIRVIEW 4-H CLUB

The Fairview 4-H Club girls met Jan. 8, 1943, to elect new officers for 1943. They were as follows:

President, Sara Mae Ross; vice-president, Sara Jane Hataway; secretary-treasurer, Emma Kate Dyess; reporter, Mabel Jones; song leader, Cumy Reeves; local leaders, Mrs. Cora Ham and Miss Agnes Pinckard.

We enjoyed the officers who left us this time and hope the new ones will carry out our plans and make our club the best.

Mabel Jones, Reporter.

Mr. Robert Lee Godwin, who has been in the Naval Hospital in Jacksonville, Fla., spent ten days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kimmie Godwin.

Mrs. Frank Wilkes is spending some time in Elba with her mother, Mrs. Ada Shealy, while her husband, Lieut. Wilkes, is attending officer training classes at Fort Sill, Okla.

Mrs. Vassie Hutchison, of Dothan, visited Mrs. Oswell Dowling and family several days last week.

Go to Church Sunday !

Elba Livestock Market
PLANS IMPROVEMENTS

Due to the increased number of Hogs and Cattle being brought to the Elba Sale each Monday, it has become necessary to make some additional improvements.

Plans are underway to build more feeder hog and cattle pens, to install another pair of scales and also to enlarge office space.

We wish to announce that Mr. J. T. Williams, who is moving to his farm near Elba, has purchased an interest in the Elba Livestock Market and will assist in the management and operation of same.

High Prices Maintained

The Elba Market continues to pay premium prices for Hogs and Cattle. Bring us your Livestock each Monday.

Elba Livestock Market
ELBA, ALABAMA

Last Inspection Call

Owners of Trucks and Commercial Cars are warned that FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, is the last day for them to have their Tires Inspected by one of the Official Inspection Statons, authorized for this work. Be sure to visit one of these stations today or tomorrow.

Passenger Car owners must have their Tires officially inspected by the last day of January.

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Food Charts To Be Given All Families Through Schools

With the necessity of food rationing looming in the immediate future, Coffee farm families are being armed with specific knowledge of the kinds and amounts of food they will need in the coming months and how it may be produced and conserved.

Within the next few days a sheet with this information carefully computed according to the individual will be provided the teachers in the county for the 4,000 families represented in the schools.

Under the teacher's guidance the student will list the amount of milk, butter, eggs, cheese, mea t, fish, poultry, vegetables of the necessary varieties, fruits, fats, sweets, etc., will be needed for his family according to number.

He will ascertain how many cows, poultry, beeves, hogs, lambs, goats, garden and orchard acreage will be needed to provide the family food supply; how much must be eaten fresh, dried, canned and stored.

The completed sheets will be taken home for the guidance of the parents who are expected to care for their own families and grow some to share.

This plan has been underway for several months through the Department of Education and the County Council of Workers. During that time programs in nutrition and the Food For Victory campaign have been planned by committees from the Council.

County workers have attended all school faculty meetings explaining the campaign, step by step. The teachers, in turn, have imparted this knowledge to their pupils with a monthly nutrition drill.

The distribution of the nutrition sheets with an attached budget plan for foods is expected to be followed by personal application in every home.

ELBA STUDY CLUB MET JANUARY 7—

The Elba Study Club held its January meeting in the home of Mrs. W. K. Farris on Plant Avenue on Thursday afternoon for its regular program and business meeting.

Mrs. A. C. Dunaway, president, presided over the business with roll call and minutes of the last meeting read by Mrs. L. S. Rainer, acting as secretary, being the first item disposed of.

Miss Eunora Farris made a report of blind-made articles sold and in her welfare report announced the club's Christmas charities valued at $15. Mrs. J. M. Rowe made the library report and Mrs. W. K. Farris made the report of the special project committee.

Mrs. W. C. Braswell read a letter from Miss Gladys Farmer, librarian at the Elba Public Library, who will leave in a few days to accept a position in Florida, expressing her appreciation for the loyal cooperation of the club members during her six years as librarian.

Mrs. L. S. Rainer was the leader of the afternoon's program which was based on the subject of International Relations, and talked interestingly on "The Man of the Year."

Following the program, a round table discussion of plans for the new year was engaged in.

Lieutenant Willie Mac Horn, stationed at Hamilton Field, California, was here Monday and Tuesday for a short vist to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Horn. His many friends were glad to see him again.

MR. FARRIS APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF BOARD

Hon. F. M. Farris, of Elba, has been appointed Chairman of the Board of Registrars of Coffee County, by Governor Frank M. Dixon. He succeeds H. C. Stephenson, of Enterprise, who resigned. The appointment was announced last week.

Mr. Farris was already a member of the board, and the vacancy created by his elevation to the chairmanship was filled by appointment of Mrs. Frances Clark, of Enterprise.

Mrs. Louis Willis and Miss Louise Willis of Troy visited Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Hawkins Sunday.

County Agent's Column

By HUGH D. SEXTON
County Agent

Planting Cotton In 1943

A telegram from Washington informs us that there will be no deductions, under the 1943 AAA program, for failure to plant 90 per cent of our 1943 cotton acreage allotment. This simply means that a farmer **will not have to plant a row of cotton unless he wants to.** If a farmer fails to plant cotton he **will not** have to plant an acreage, equal to his cotton acreage allotment, in any other crop. This applies also to a farmer who just plants a portion of his 1943 cotton acreage allotment.

Farmers in Coffee County will be assigned a "War Goal" of approximately 10.1 acres of peanuts per plow. Failure to harvest 10.1 acres of peanuts per plow will result in a $15.00 per acre penalty under the 1943 AAA Program.

The Agent feels that a further reduction of short staple cotton acreage in 1943 will be necessary if other essential production goals are to be reached.

Seed Peanuts For 1943

During the past few days several farmers have asked as to whether the GFA will furnish seed peanuts in 1943 as it did in 1942.

The Agent contacted the GFA and received the following information: "The GFA has an ample supply of both Runner and Spanish farmers' stock peanuts, but at the present time no definite program relative to price, methods of distribution, and who would handle the peanuts had been workeed out."

The Agent feels that this seed peanut program for 1943 will be announced soon from Washington.

Farm Machinery

All farmers who need farm machinery are instructed to file their applications at either the County Agent's office at Elba or Enterprise before January 20. After this date the County Farm Machinery Rationing Committee will meet and issue purchase certificates, up to the quota, for all equipment for which purchase certificates are required.

Machinery dealers, in the county, might receive from their distributors certain Group II equipment which can be sold without purchase certificates.. For this reason farmers are instructed to keep in touch with their dealers.

Community Meetings

A series of community meetings are being held this week to inform farmers relative to 1943 Production Goals, Farm Machinery, Fertilizer for 1943 and other important topics.

These meetings are being held by various agricultural workers of the county and it is hoped that all farmers will make a desperate effort to attend the one which will be held for their community.

Go to Church Sunday !

4-H Clubs To Study Gardens, Orchards, Pigs And Chickens

Pigs, chickens, calves, gardens and orchards are occupying the thought of Coffee County's hundreds of 4-H girls and boys this month as they select their minor projects for 1943.

Foods is the "Must" word for minor projects this year and under this general head comes the musts of each selection: Requirements for the Pig Project include a thrifty, weaned pig; a permanent pasture containing clover; a clean pen where no hogs have been confined and proper ration.

Proper selection, feeding and management make the Calf Project "musts."

Not less than 50 chicks are required for the Poultry Project; a lamp brooder; early hatching according to breeds; oats and rye growing in patches around the chicken house.

The Victory Garden of 1943 should contain at least five vegetables which could be selected to eat every day of the year; grow some to eat, to can, to sell.

All projects require the keeping of accurate records.

The labor of these boys and girls under the general direction of Miss Mamie B. Mathews, Miss Margaret Reddoch and H. T. King, county agents, greatly increases the annual food supply.

THREE IN ONE STUDY CLUB—

The Three In One Study Club held its January meeting in the home of Mrs. Price Ringo on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Billy Mullins, Mrs. Jake Morrow and Mrs. Ringo serving as joint hostesses.

Potted plants and cut flowers of the season were used in decorations.

Mrs. C. E. Dorsey, president, called the meeting to order at 3:30 and conducted the business session. Roll call and minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. Price Ringo, secretary. Mrs. Walter Whitman, Jr., made a report of the number of blind-made articles sold by the club. Mrs. Stokes Haire, chairman of the special project committee, stressed the importance of the members putting in their two hours weekly in the Red Cross rooms.

The program for the afternoon was on "Clothing" and was led by Mrs. E. P. Geiger. Mrs. James Wise discussed "Effects of Supply and Demand on Shortage, Quality and Quantity of Clothing." Mrs. S. E. Sawyer talked on "Effects of Clothes Rationing."

Two new members, Mrs. Herbert McCall and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick ,were welcomed into the club.

At the close of the program, the hostesses served a delicious salad course with hot coffee to the following members: Mrs. J. A. Carnley, Jr., Mrs. E. P. Geiger, Mrs. James Wise, Mrs. T. B. Bryan, Mrs. Roberta Childs, Mrs. Stokes Haire, Mrs. Sam Rowe, Mrs. J. W. Kendrick, Mrs. L. P. Morrow, Mrs. Getherel Pinckard, Mrs. C. E. Dorsey, Jr., Mrs. Herbert McCall, Mrs. S. E. Sawyer, Mrs. Walter Whitman, Jr., Mrs. Jake Morrow, Mrs. Price Ringo, Miss Gladys Clark, Mrs. Billy Mullins and Mrs. Mayo Prescott.

WM. R. WISE PROMOTED

Fort Sill, Okla.—Pfh. William R. Wise, Elba, Ala., has been promoted to the grade of Technician 5th Grade in the Headquarters 70th Field Artillery Battalion, Fort Sill, Okla.

Technician 5th Grade is equivalent in rank to a Corporal.

COUNTY DIST. F. F. A. MEETING AT ENT'PRISE

The Coffee County District of Future Farmers of America held its regular meeting at Enterprise on Monday night, Jan. 11. The meeting was called to order by the president.

The meeting was turned over to the program committee. The program was very interesting and entertaining. Each chapter did not have enough members present to have a basketball team, so the president and vice - president chose sides and played each other's team. The vice-president was defeated by a 13 to 28 score. After the game, the meeting was called to order for a business session.

The group decided to have a joint meeting of the officers, local and district, of the F. H. A. and F. F. A. The meeting will be held in Elba on Monday night, February 8.

Bill Maddox, Reporter.

ELBA TIGERS WIN TWO BASKETBALL GAMES

The Elba High School basketball team defeated New Brockton last Friday afternoon by a score of 26-20, and trampled Opp Tuesday afternoon to the tune of 37 to 14. Both games were played on the Elba court.

Co-Coach J. C. Dixon reports that Elba has a wealth of exceptional basketball material this year and went so far as to say that Coach Hause, of Kinston, could take Elba's material and win the state championship.

The Elba squad consists of: Harold Hudson, capt.; Harold Wise, Clinton Moore, Rex Hardy, Ralph Johnson, Hollis Kelley, Earl Britt, Bill McCart, Lavell Baker, Foy Ray, Texel Young, Tiel Wise, Earl Twilly and Hoyt Jackson.

The Tigers will play Troy in Troy Friday night and Ozark there next Tuesday night.

EDWARD SIPPER DIES

Edward Sipper, resident of the Taylor Mill community, died at his home Monday, January 4, following an illness of several days. He was 68 years of age.

Surviving are one brother, John Sipper. Funeral services were held at Bluff Springs Church with Rev. C. P. Roberts officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Hayes Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Clarence Harkins, student at A.P.I., Auburn, spent last week-end in Elba, guest of James and Willard Martin.

Civilians Asked Not To Give Our Enemies Military Information

On battle fronts every day men are risking their lives to discover the location and strength of the military units of the enemy. Yet at home, too many of us are presenting the enemy with information of the same military value, the Office of Censorship says in a statement.

This is the information which newspapers and individuals are asked not to tell the enemy:

Do not tell the names of ships upon which sailors serve.

Do not tell the troop units in which soldiers serve overseas.

There is no objection to revealing that Pvt. John Jones is in Australia or that Seaman Tom Brown saw action in the Atlantic, but there is military information which endangers the lives of American fighting men in stating that Private John Jones, Company C, 600th Infantry, is in Australia, or Seaman Tom Brown, aboard the U. S. S. Wisconsin, is in the Atlantic.

The Office of Censorship says: "We ask editors not to publish these troop identifications, and we ask parents and relatives not to reveal them. Don't give the enemy anything that may lengthen the war."

VICTORIA CLUB MEETS

The meeting was called to order by the president. After a short talk by Mr. King, he gave a certificate to the ones who did a nice year of club work and kept their record books neat and clean. The roll was called by the secretary which showed a large number of boys on roll. We checked our record books up to date.

Mr. King took up money and gave it to the club treasurer. We are going to give the money to the First Aid Service to help our boys overseas. The meeting adjourned.

Delma Head, Reporter.

A letter received by her mother, Mrs. W. B. Morgan, from Mrs. Sam Collier, states that she has accepted an office position for the great wholesale clothing firm of Aulsbright, Inc., New York City, and that she will remain in New York indefinitely. Her husband is a yeoman in the U. S. Navy, shipping in and out of New York.

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